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GREAT WORK, ROBIN! YOU CHASED THOSE CROOKS RIGHT INTO MY FORCE-WALL!

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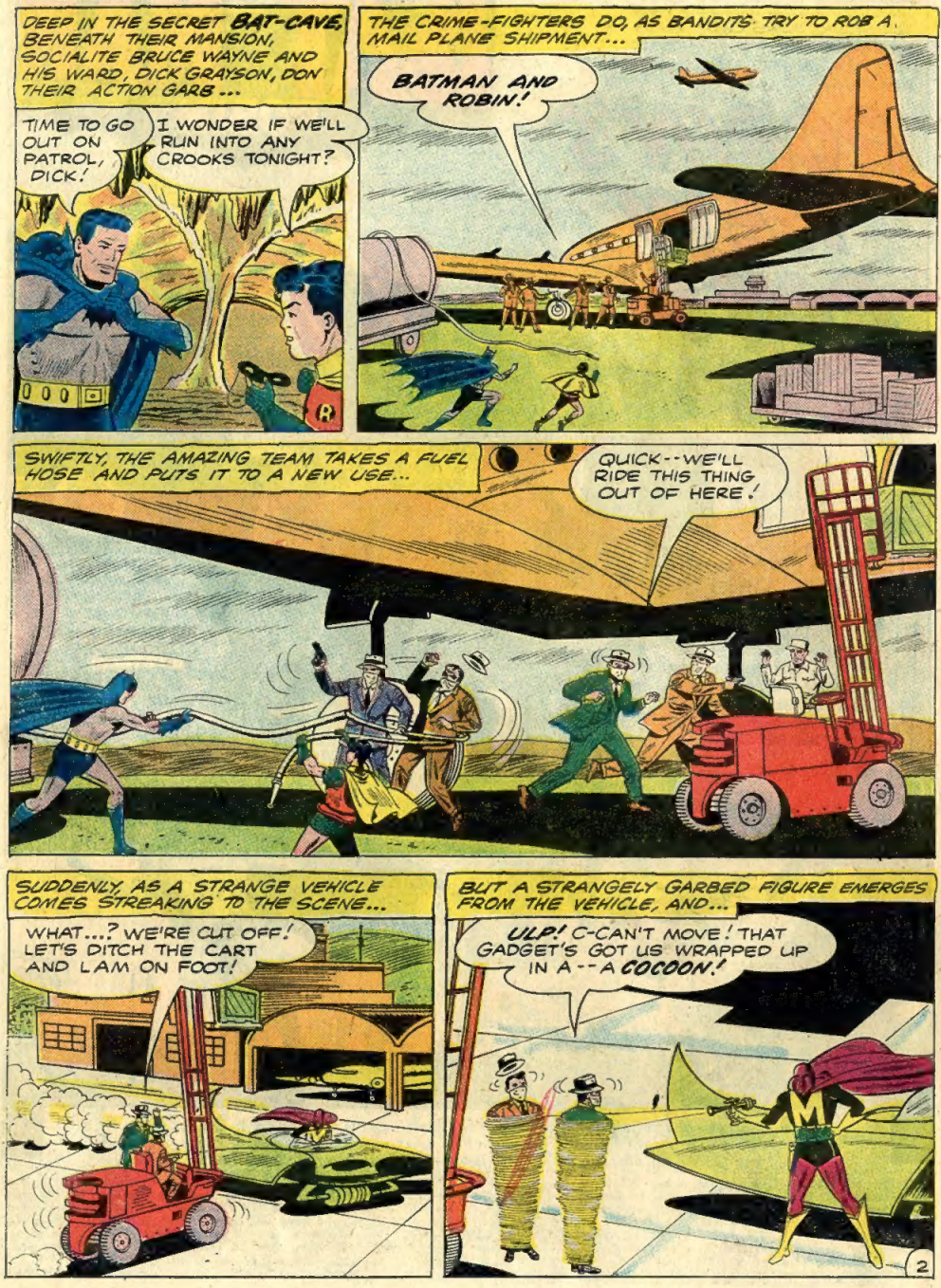
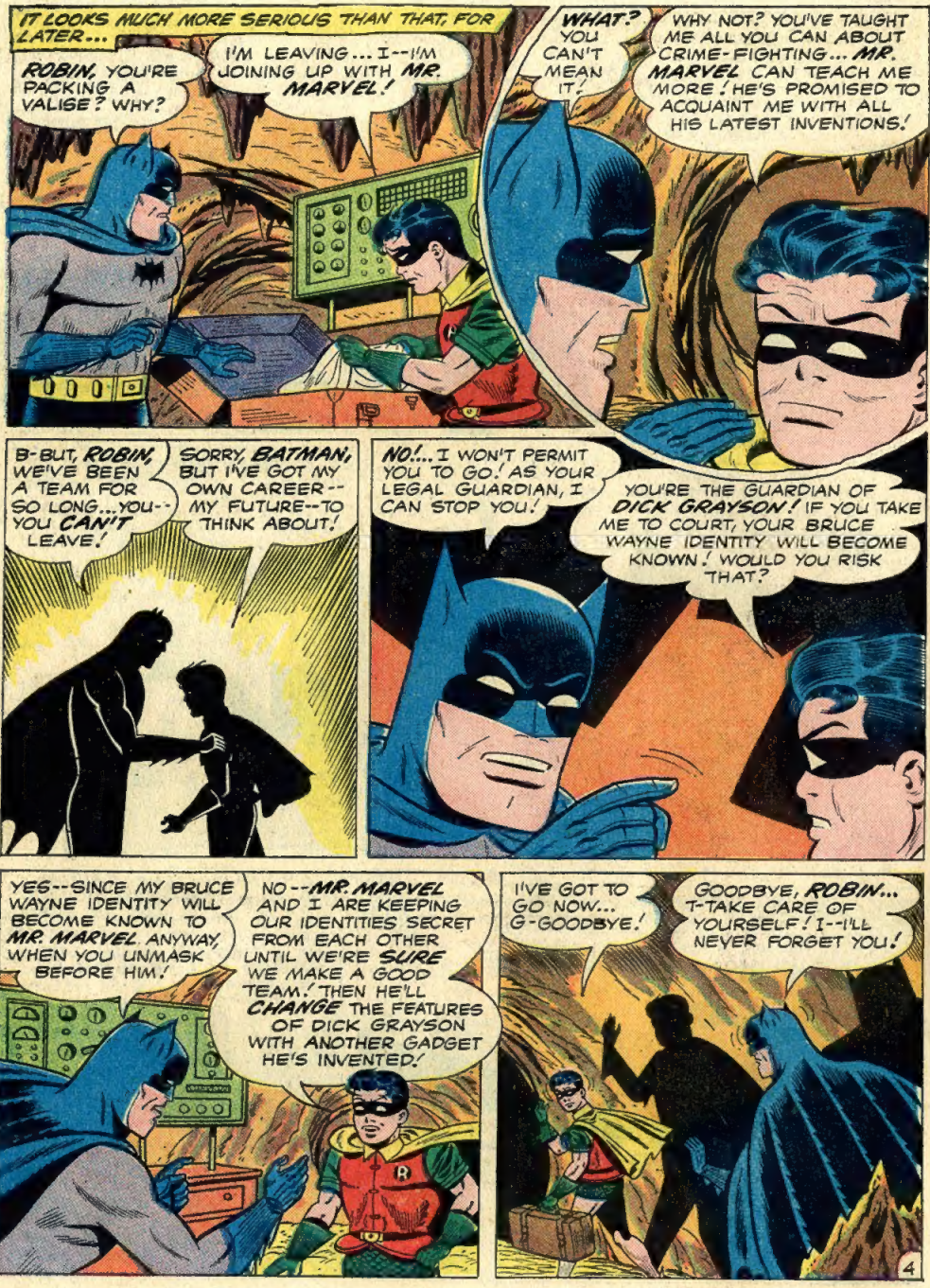
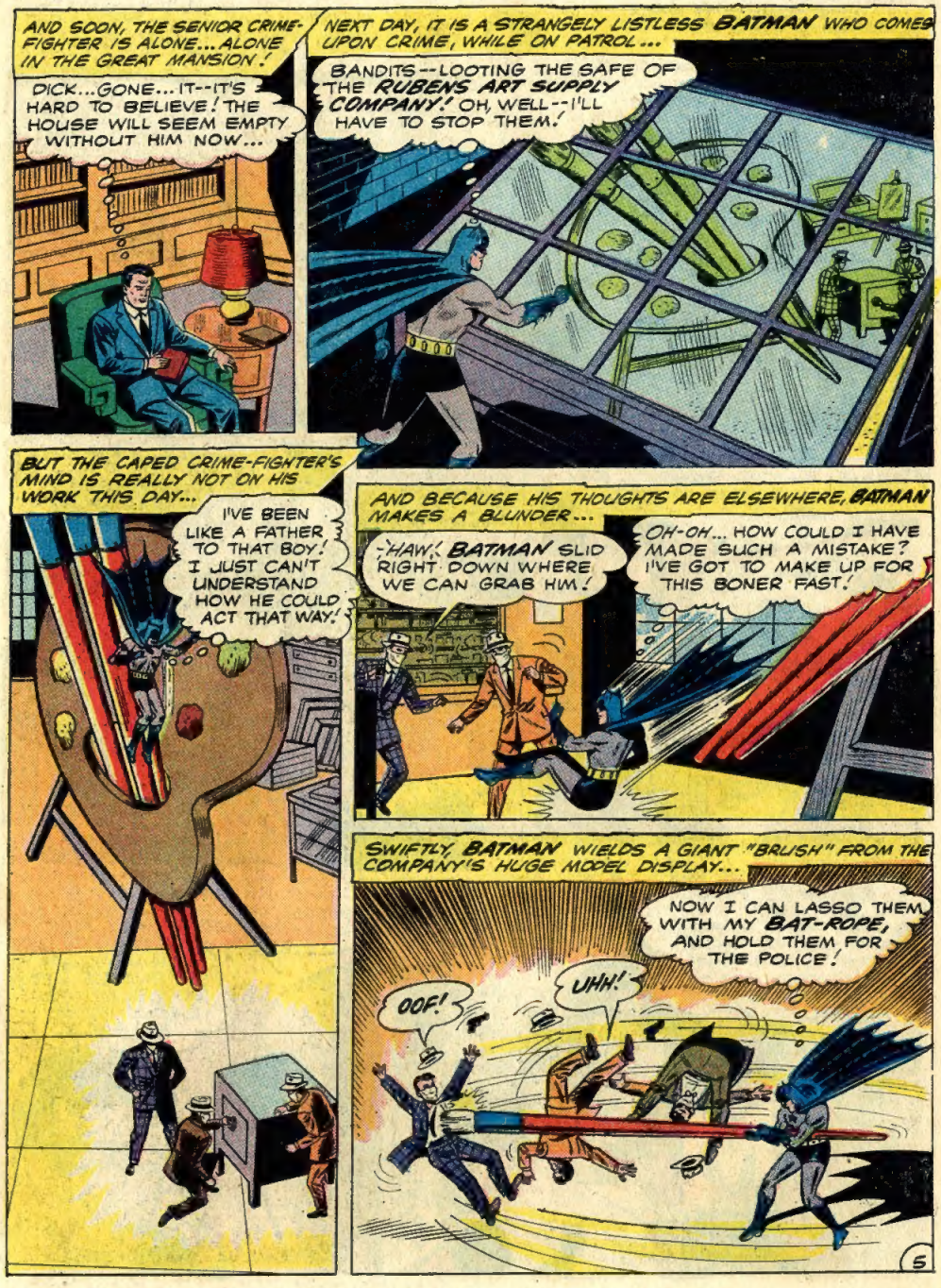
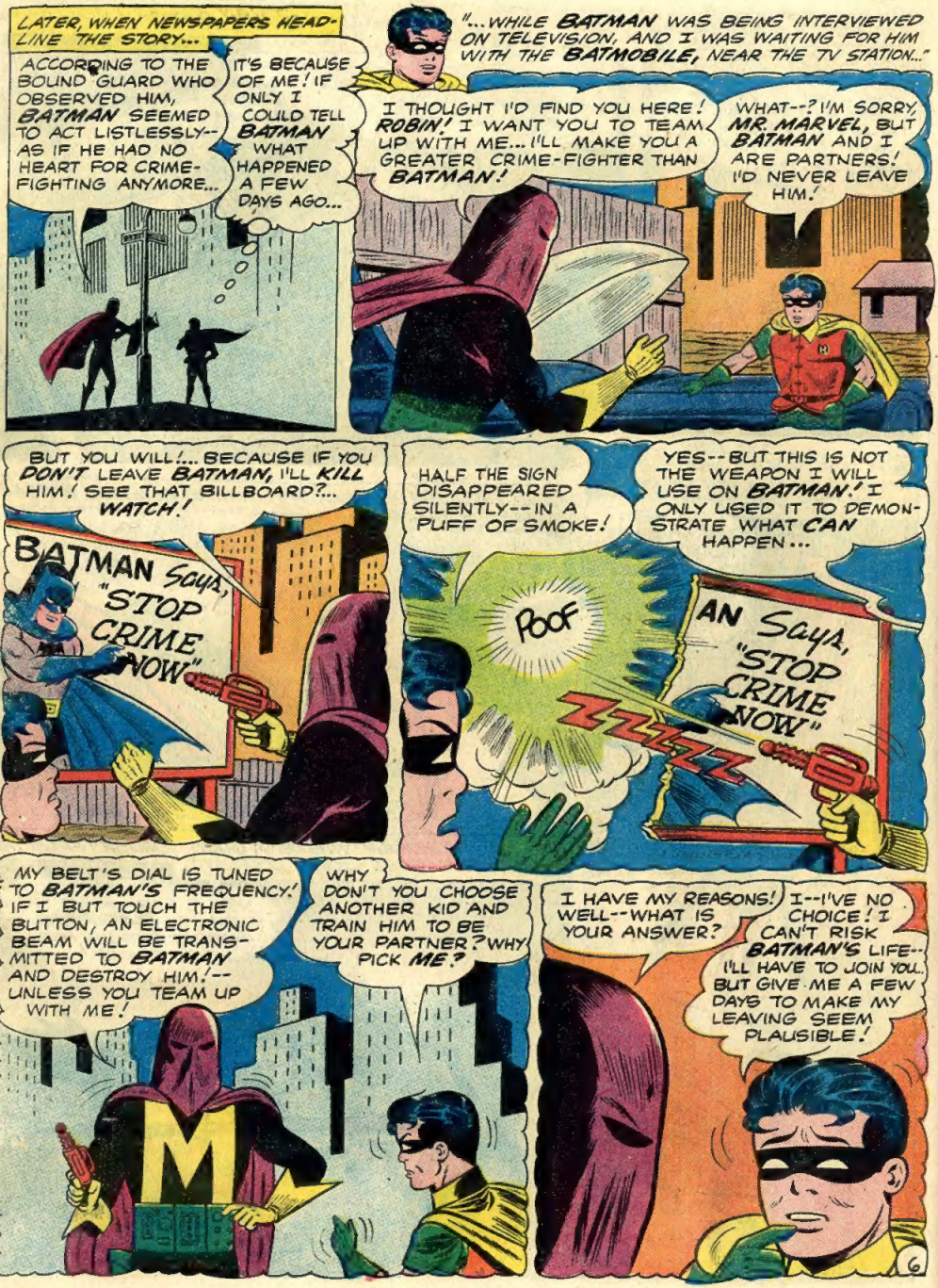

DEEP IN THE SECRET BAT-CAVE, BENEATH THEIR MANSION, SOCIALITE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON, DON THEIR ACTION GARB...
TIME TO GO OUT ON PATROL, DICK!
I WONDER IF WE'LL RUN INTO ANY CROOKS TONIGHT?
THE CRIME-FIGHTERS DO, AS BANDITS TRY TO ROB A MAIL PLANE SHIPMENT...
BATMAN AND ROBIN!
SWIFTLY, THE AMAZING TEAM TAKES A FUEL HOSE AND PUTS IT TO A NEW USE...
QUICK--WE'LL RIDE THIS THING OUT OF HERE!
SUDDENLY, AS A STRANGE VEHICLE COMES STREAKING TO THE SCENE...
WHAT...? WE'RE CUT OFF! LET'S DITCH THE CART AND LAM ON FOOT!
BUT A STRANGELY GARBED FIGURE EMERGES FROM THE VEHICLE, AND...
ULP! C-CAN'T MOVE! THAT GADGET'S GOT US WRAPPED UP IN A--A COCOON!

SOON, REPORTERS CROWD ABOUT THE COSTUMED STRANGER...
WHO ARE YOU, MISTER?
I CALL MYSELF MR. MARVEL, TO HIDE MY TRUE IDENTITY! ACTUALLY, I AM A SCIENTIST WHO HAS WORKED FOR YEARS ON INVENTIONS TO FIGHT CRIME! I AM A CRIME-FIGHTER, LIKE BATMAN...
M
...BUT UNLIKE BATMAN, I AM NO ATHLETE -- FOR I BELIEVE THAT LAWMEN SHOULD NOT HAVE TO USE FISTICUFFS! I THINK BATMAN IS OUTDATED... I AM THE CRIME-FIGHTER OF THE FUTURE!
M
WHAT'S MORE, I DON'T NEED THE REWARD I SHOULD GET FOR CAPTURING THOSE CROOKS! I'M INDEPENDENTLY WEALTHY -- SO GIVE THE MONEY TO CHARITY! GOODBYE -- FOR AWHILE!
HOLY SMOKE! HIS CAR SPROUTED WINGS -- AND TOOK OFF LIKE A PLANE!
NEXT DAY, AS BATMAN APPEARS ON A TV INTERVIEW PROGRAM...
IT SEEMS YOU HAVE A NEW RIVAL, BATMAN! WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HIM?
I WELCOME ANY-ONE WHO WARS AGAINST CRIME!
TV
THAT NIGHT, MR. MARVEL SCORES AGAIN -- WITH ANOTHER AMAZING WEAPON...
WHEW! HE SHOT OUT SOME KIND OF RAY THAT PICKED UP THE BANK ROBBERS' CAR AND TURNED IT OVER!
BANK
AS THE NEW CRIME-FIGHTER CONTINUES TO SCORE AGAINST EVIL, HE GAINS MANY NEW ADMIRERS...
GOLLY! THIS MR. MARVEL IS TERRIFIC! WHAT A GUY!
HMM... LOOKS AS THOUGH DICK HAS A NEW HERO!


IT LOOKS MUCH MORE SERIOUS THAN THAT, FOR LATER...
ROBIN, YOU'RE PACKING A VALISE? WHY?
I'M LEAVING... I--I'M JOINING UP WITH MR. MARVEL!
WHAT? YOU CAN'T MEAN IT!
WHY NOT? YOU'VE TAUGHT ME ALL YOU CAN ABOUT CRIME-FIGHTING... MR. MARVEL CAN TEACH ME MORE! HE'S PROMISED TO ACQUAINT ME WITH ALL HIS LATEST INVENTIONS!
B-BUT, ROBIN, WE'VE BEEN A TEAM FOR SO LONG...YOU--YOU CAN'T LEAVE!
SORRY, BATMAN, BUT I'VE GOT MY OWN CAREER--MY FUTURE--TO THINK ABOUT!
NO!... I WON'T PERMIT YOU TO GO! AS YOUR LEGAL GUARDIAN, I CAN STOP YOU!
YOU'RE THE GUARDIAN OF DICK GRAYSON! IF YOU TAKE ME TO COURT, YOUR BRUCE WAYNE IDENTITY WILL BECOME KNOWN! WOULD YOU RISK THAT?
YES--SINCE MY BRUCE WAYNE IDENTITY WILL BECOME KNOWN TO MR. MARVEL ANYWAY WHEN YOU UNMASK BEFORE HIM!
NO--MR. MARVEL AND I ARE KEEPING OUR IDENTITIES SECRET FROM EACH OTHER UNTIL WE'RE SURE WE MAKE A GOOD TEAM! THEN HE'LL CHANGE THE FEATURES OF DICK GRAYSON WITH ANOTHER GADGET HE'S INVENTED!
I'VE GOT TO GO NOW... G-GOODBYE!
GOODBYE, ROBIN... T-TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF! I--I'LL NEVER FORGET YOU!


AND SOON, THE SENIOR CRIME-FIGHTER IS ALONE... ALONE IN THE GREAT MANSION!
DICK... GONE... IT--IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE! THE HOUSE WILL SEEM EMPTY WITHOUT HIM NOW...
NEXT DAY, IT IS A STRANGELY LISTLESS BATMAN WHO COMES UPON CRIME, WHILE ON PATROL...
BANDITS--LOOTING THE SAFE OF THE RUBENS ART SUPPLY COMPANY! OH, WELL--I'LL HAVE TO STOP THEM!
BUT THE CAPED CRIME-FIGHTER'S MIND IS REALLY NOT ON HIS WORK THIS DAY...
I'VE BEEN LIKE A FATHER TO THAT BOY! I JUST CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW HE COULD ACT THAT WAY!
AND BECAUSE HIS THOUGHTS ARE ELSEWHERE, BATMAN MAKES A BLUNDER...
-HAW! BATMAN SLID RIGHT DOWN WHERE WE CAN GRAB HIM!
OH-OH... HOW COULD I HAVE MADE SUCH A MISTAKE? I'VE GOT TO MAKE UP FOR THIS BONER FAST!
SWIFTLY, BATMAN WIELDS A GIANT "BRUSH" FROM THE COMPANY'S HUGE MODEL DISPLAY...
NOW I CAN LASSO THEM WITH MY BAT-ROPE, AND HOLD THEM FOR THE POLICE!
OOF!
UHH!


LATER, WHEN NEWSPAPERS HEADLINE THE STORY...
ACCORDING TO THE BOUND GUARD WHO OBSERVED HIM, BATMAN SEEMED TO ACT LISTLESSLY--AS IF HE HAD NO HEART FOR CRIME-FIGHTING ANYMORE...
IT'S BECAUSE OF ME! IF ONLY I COULD TELL BATMAN WHAT HAPPENED A FEW DAYS AGO...
"...WHILE BATMAN WAS BEING INTERVIEWED ON TELEVISION, AND I WAS WAITING FOR HIM WITH THE BATMOBILE, NEAR THE TV STATION..."
I THOUGHT I'D FIND YOU HERE! ROBIN! I WANT YOU TO TEAM UP WITH ME... I'LL MAKE YOU A GREATER CRIME-FIGHTER THAN BATMAN!
WHAT--? I'M SORRY, MR. MARVEL, BUT BATMAN AND I ARE PARTNERS! I'D NEVER LEAVE HIM!
BUT YOU WILL!... BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T LEAVE BATMAN, I'LL KILL HIM! SEE THAT BILLBOARD?... WATCH!
BATMAN SAYS, "STOP CRIME NOW"
HALF THE SIGN DISAPPEARED SILENTLY--IN A PUFF OF SMOKE!
YES--BUT THIS IS NOT THE WEAPON I WILL USE ON BATMAN! I ONLY USED IT TO DEMONSTRATE WHAT CAN HAPPEN...
POOF
ZZZZZZ
AN SAYS, "STOP CRIME NOW"
MY BELT'S DIAL IS TUNED TO BATMAN'S FREQUENCY! IF I BUT TOUCH THE BUTTON, AN ELECTRONIC BEAM WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO BATMAN AND DESTROY HIM!--UNLESS YOU TEAM UP WITH ME!
WHY DON'T YOU CHOOSE ANOTHER KID AND TRAIN HIM TO BE YOUR PARTNER? WHY PICK ME?
I HAVE MY REASONS! WELL--WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER?
I--I'VE NO CHOICE! I CAN'T RISK BATMAN'S LIFE--I'LL HAVE TO JOIN YOU. BUT GIVE ME A FEW DAYS TO MAKE MY LEAVING SEEM PLAUSIBLE!
M
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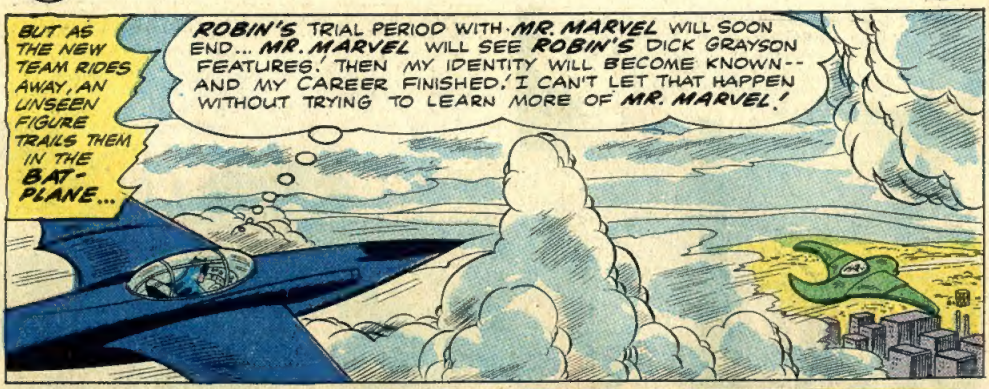
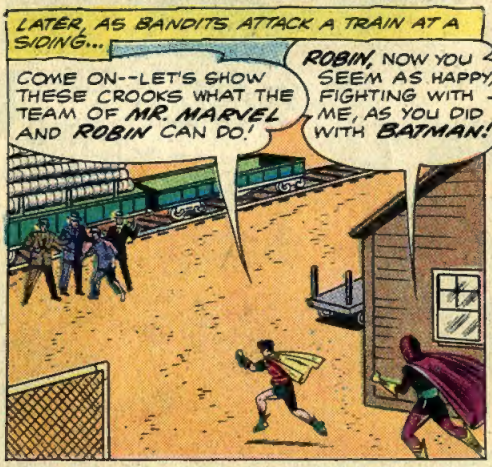
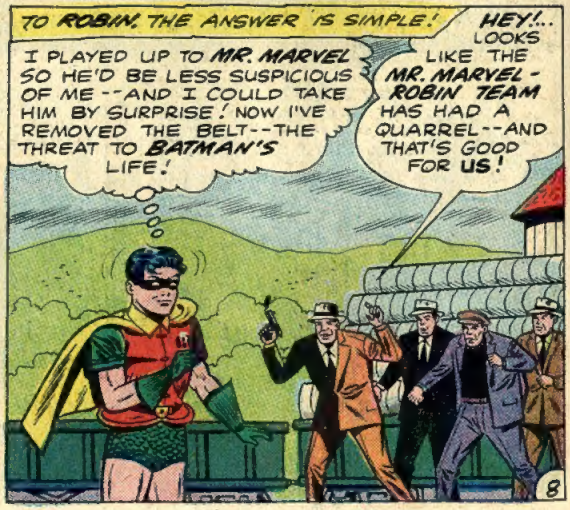
WHAT'S MR. MARVEL'S GAME? IS HE A CROOK IN DISGUISE? DOES HE SOMEHOW INTEND TO USE ME FOR A BIG JOB THAT WILL BRING HIM A FORTUNE?
AND AT HOME, BATMAN IS ALSO THOUGHTFUL...
I'VE BEEN SO UNHAPPY, I HAVEN'T BEEN THINKING CLEARLY... BUT NOW, I WONDER IF ROBIN REALLY DID LEAVE FOR THE REASON HE GAVE ME? I'D BETTER KEEP MY EYES ON THE TEAM OF MR. MARVEL AND ROBIN!
IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOW, THE NEW TEAM MEETS WITH ONE MIGHTY SUCCESS AFTER ANOTHER...
GOOD WORK, ROBIN...YOU CHASED THE BANDITS RIGHT INTO MY FORCE-WALL!
UGH!
EEYOW!
AND AFTER THE CRIMINALS ARE JAILED...
MR. MARVEL -- YOU'RE THE GREATEST! BOY, AM I GLAD YOU MADE ME TEAM UP WITH YOU!
OH?... THEN YOU DON'T HATE ME FOR THE HOLD I HAVE OVER YOU?
POLICE
NOT ANYMORE! I REALIZE, NOW, I'VE GOT MY FUTURE TO THINK OF! WITH YOUR TEACHING, AND YOUR INVENTIONS, I CAN DO BETTER WITH YOU THAN I EVER COULD WITH BATMAN!

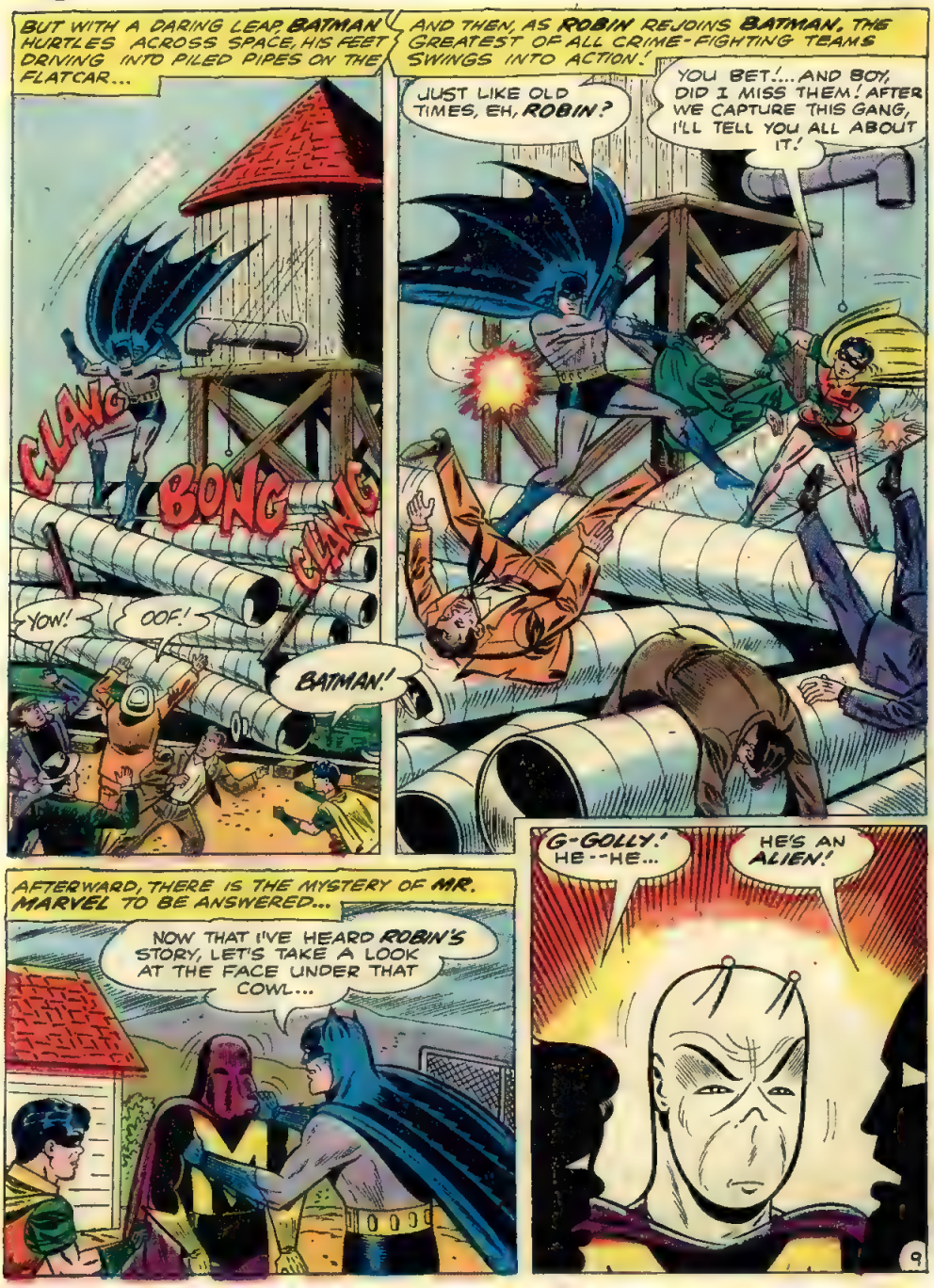

BUT AS THE NEW TEAM RIDES AWAY, AN UNSEEN FIGURE TRAILS THEM IN THE BAT-PLANE...
ROBIN'S TRIAL PERIOD WITH MR. MARVEL WILL SOON END... MR. MARVEL WILL SEE ROBIN'S DICK GRAYSON FEATURES! THEN MY IDENTITY WILL BECOME KNOWN--AND MY CAREER FINISHED! I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN WITHOUT TRYING TO LEARN MORE OF MR. MARVEL!

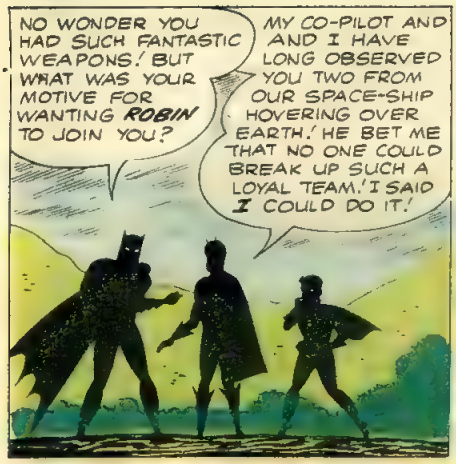

LATER, AS BANDITS ATTACK A TRAIN AT A SIDING...
COME ON--LET'S SHOW THESE CROOKS WHAT THE TEAM OF MR. MARVEL AND ROBIN CAN DO!
ROBIN, NOW YOU SEEM AS HAPPY, FIGHTING WITH ME, AS YOU DID WITH BATMAN!

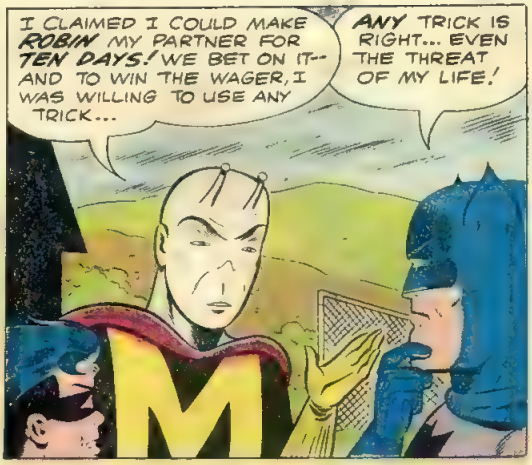
BUT ABRUPTLY, AS THE JUBILANT MR. MARVEL RACES SIDE BY SIDE WITH THE BOY WONDER...
NOW!
OOF!

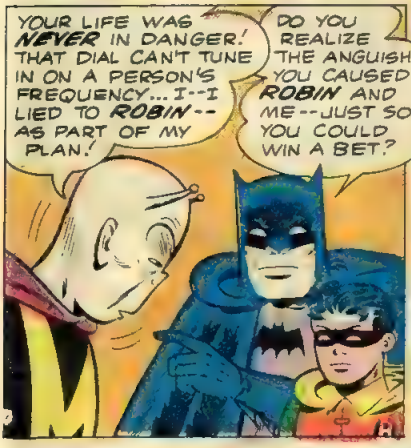
NEARBY, STILL TRAILING THE TEAM, BATMAN VIEWS ROBIN'S ACTION WITH STUNNED SURPRISE...
GREAT SCOTT!...NOW ROBIN HAS REMOVED THE BELT WITH THE GADGETS THAT COULD SAVE HIM AND MR. MARVEL FROM THE CRIMINALS--AND TOSSING THE BELT AWAY! WHY?

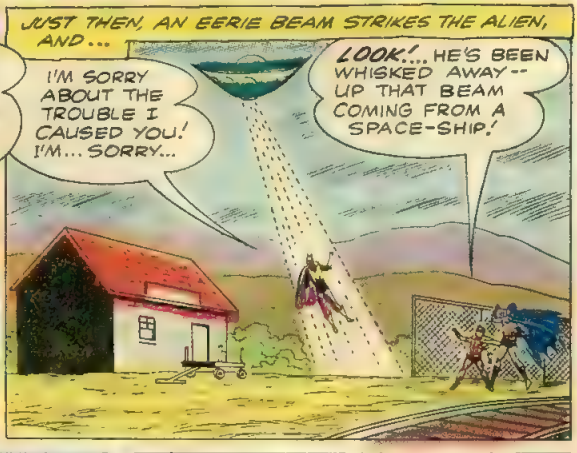

TO ROBIN, THE ANSWER IS SIMPLE!
I PLAYED UP TO MR. MARVEL SO HE'D BE LESS SUSPICIOUS OF ME--AND I COULD TAKE HIM BY SURPRISE! NOW I'VE REMOVED THE BELT--THE THREAT TO BATMAN'S LIFE!
HEY!... LOOKS LIKE THE MR. MARVEL-ROBIN TEAM HAS HAD A QUARREL--AND THAT'S GOOD FOR US!

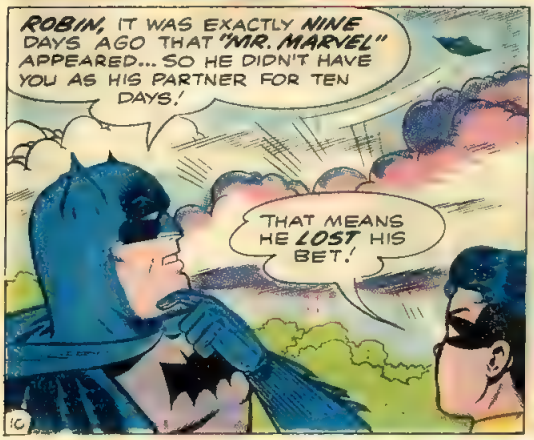

BUT WITH A DARING LEAP, BATMAN HURTLES ACROSS SPACE, HIS FEET DRIVING INTO PILED PIPES ON THE FLATCAR...
CLANG
BONG
CLANG
YOW!
OOF!
BATMAN!
AND THEN, AS ROBIN REJOINS BATMAN, THE GREATEST OF ALL CRIME-FIGHTING TEAMS SWINGS INTO ACTION!
JUST LIKE OLD TIMES, EH, ROBIN?
YOU BET!... AND BOY, DID I MISS THEM! AFTER WE CAPTURE THIS GANG, I'LL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT!
AFTERWARD, THERE IS THE MYSTERY OF MR. MARVEL TO BE ANSWERED...
NOW THAT I'VE HEARD ROBIN'S STORY, LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE FACE UNDER THAT COWL...
G-GOLLY! HE--HE...
HE'S AN ALIEN!

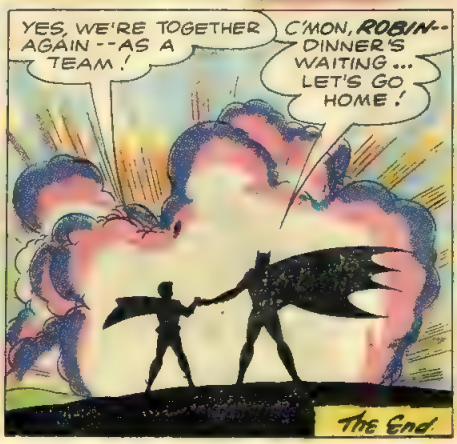

NO WONDER YOU HAD SUCH FANTASTIC WEAPONS! BUT WHAT WAS YOUR MOTIVE FOR WANTING ROBIN TO JOIN YOU?
MY CO-PILOT AND AND I HAVE LONG OBSERVED YOU TWO FROM OUR SPACE-SHIP HOVERING OVER EARTH.' HE BET ME THAT NO ONE COULD BREAK UP SUCH A LOYAL TEAM.' I SAID I COULD DO IT.'


I CLAIMED I COULD MAKE ROBIN MY PARTNER FOR TEN DAYS! WE BET ON IT-- AND TO WIN THE WAGER, I WAS WILLING TO USE ANY TRICK...
ANY TRICK IS RIGHT... EVEN THE THREAT OF MY LIFE!


YOUR LIFE WAS NEVER IN DANGER! THAT DIAL CAN'T TUNE IN ON A PERSON'S FREQUENCY... I--I LIED TO ROBIN -- AS PART OF MY PLAN!
DO YOU REALIZE THE ANGUISH YOU CAUSED ROBIN AND ME--JUST SO YOU COULD WIN A BET?


JUST THEN, AN EERIE BEAM STRIKES THE ALIEN, AND...
I'M SORRY ABOUT THE TROUBLE I CAUSED YOU! I'M... SORRY...
LOOK!... HE'S BEEN WHISKED AWAY -- UP THAT BEAM COMING FROM A SPACE-SHIP!


ROBIN, IT WAS EXACTLY NINE DAYS AGO THAT "MR. MARVEL" APPEARED... SO HE DIDN'T HAVE YOU AS HIS PARTNER FOR TEN DAYS!
THAT MEANS HE LOST HIS BET!


YES, WE'RE TOGETHER AGAIN -- AS A TEAM!
C'MON, ROBIN-- DINNER'S WAITING... LET'S GO HOME!
The End

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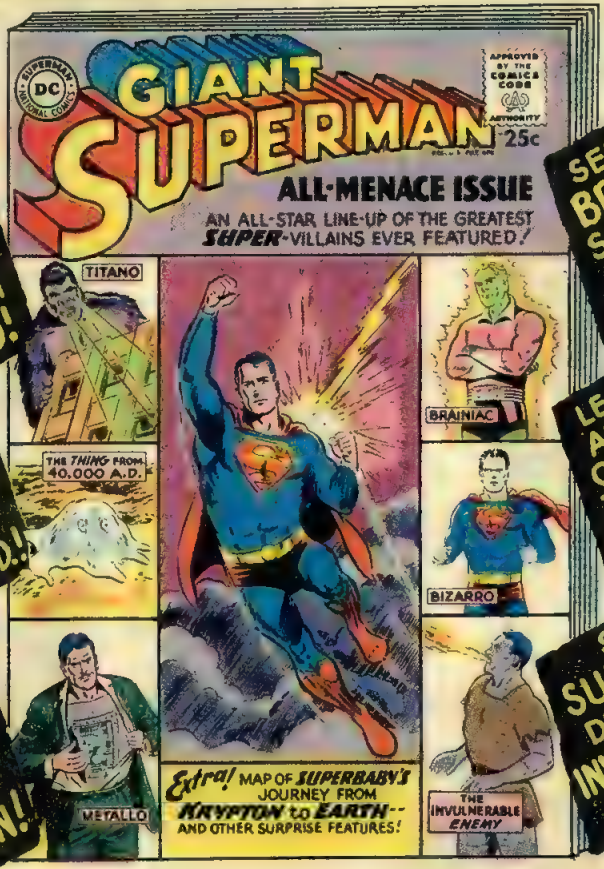
FEATURING THE *GREATEST FOES* EVER TO CHALLENGE THE *MAN OF STEEL!*



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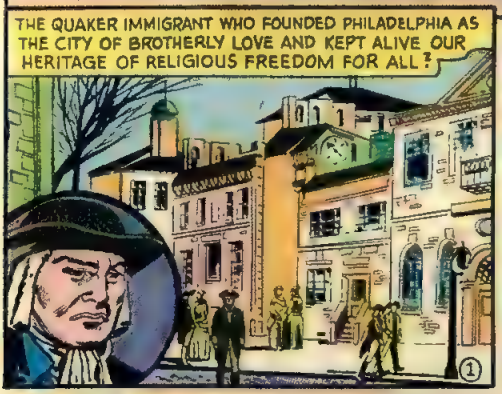
Our AMERICAN Heritage

DO YOU KNOW THESE AMERICAN HEROES AND HEROINES? (ANSWERS IN LAST PANEL)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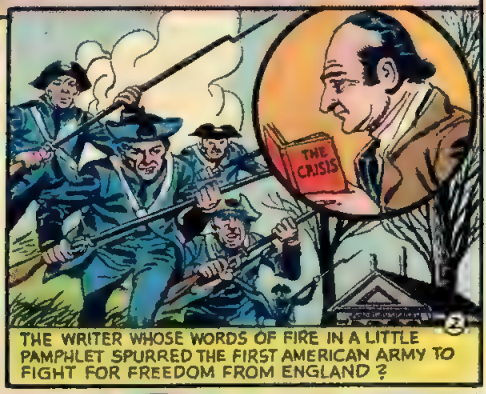
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2

THE WOMAN WHOSE POEM IN HONOR OF ALL WHO CAME TO AMERICA TO ESCAPE WARS AND POVERTY AND RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION IS ENGRAVED ON A MEMORIAL TABLET ON THE STATUE OF LIBERTY?
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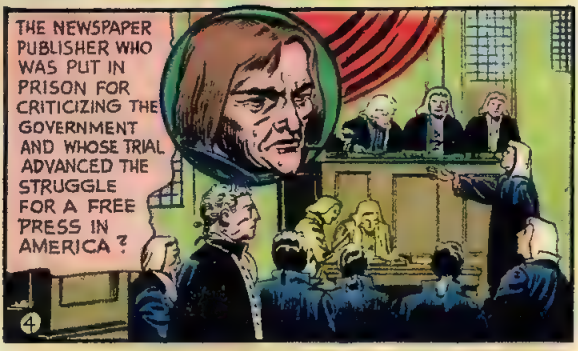
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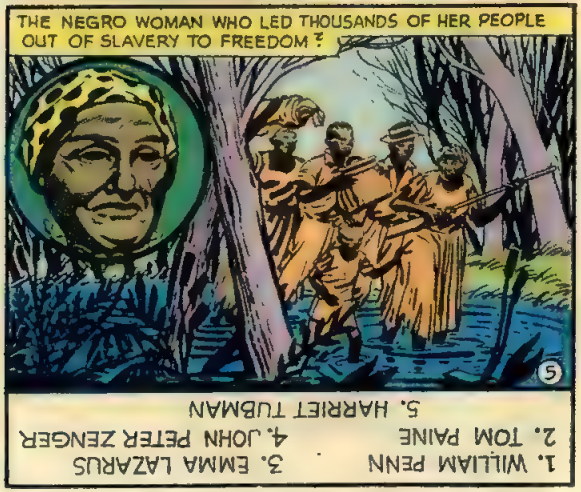

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the BANDIT with 1,000 BRANDS
GREAT SCOTT! THE BRAND HAS ME TRAPPED ON THIS GIANT MECHANICAL CHESS-BOARD, AND THE CHESS PIECES ARE CHARGING ME!
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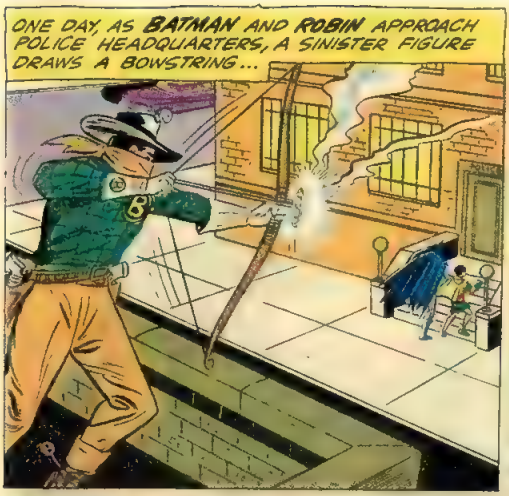
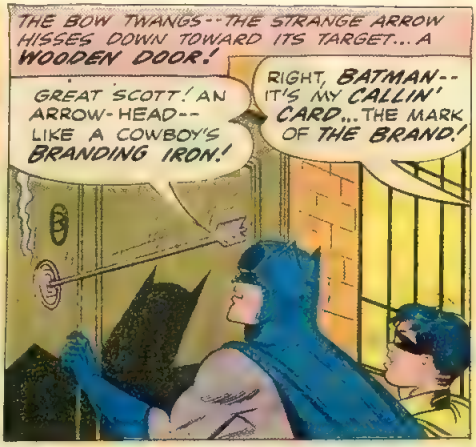
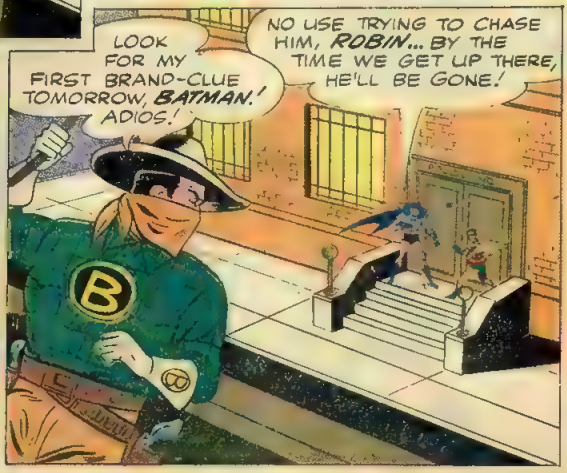
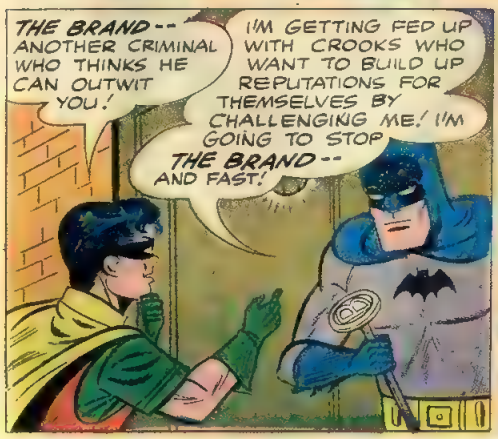
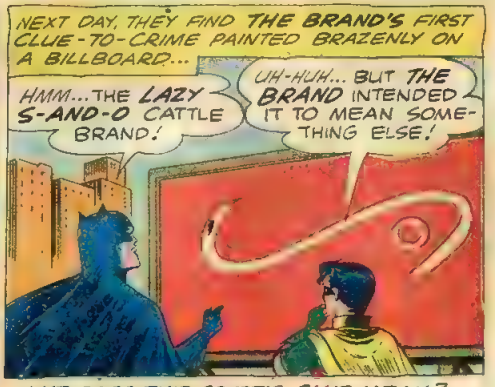



THE BOW TWANGS--THE STRANGE ARROW HISSES DOWN TOWARD ITS TARGET... A WOODEN DOOR!
GREAT SCOTT! AN ARROW-HEAD--LIKE A COWBOY'S BRANDING IRON!
RIGHT, BATMAN--IT'S MY CALLIN' CARD...THE MARK OF THE BRAND!

I HEAR YUH'RE A RIGHT SMART LAWMAN--BUT I'M GOIN' TO PROVE I'M SMARTER! I'M GOIN' TO LEAVE YOU CLUES--BRANDS OF MY CRIMES--THEN WE'LL SEE IF YOU KIN FIGGER 'EM OUT AND STOP ME!

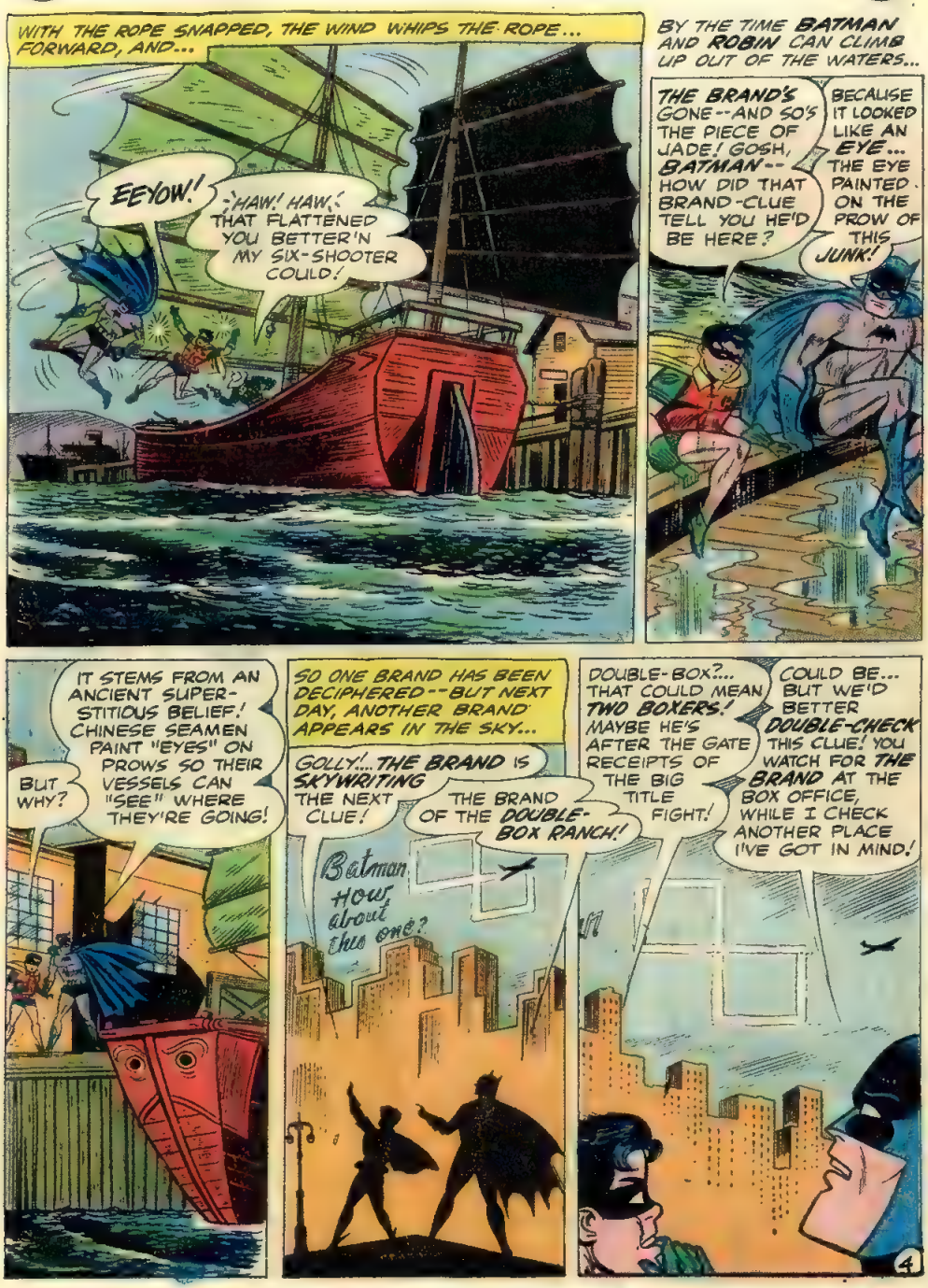



THE BRAND--ANOTHER CRIMINAL WHO THINKS HE CAN OUTWIT YOU!
I'M GETTING FED UP WITH CROOKS WHO WANT TO BUILD UP REPUTATIONS FOR THEMSELVES BY CHALLENGING ME! I'M GOING TO STOP THE BRAND--AND FAST!


NEXT DAY, THEY FIND THE BRAND'S FIRST CLUE-TO-CRIME PAINTED BRAZENLY ON A BILLBOARD...
HMM...THE LAZY S-AND-O CATTLE BRAND!
UH-HUH... BUT THE BRAND INTENDED IT TO MEAN SOMETHING ELSE!

WHAT DOES THIS CRYPTIC CLUE MEAN? CAN YOU GUESS?

KIND OF LOOKS SOMETHING LIKE A WHALE--OR MAYBE AN EYE!
YES, ROBIN--AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE GOING TO THE DOCKS RIGHT OFF CHINATOWN!
LATER...
A CHINESE JUNK? WHY DID WE COME HERE?
I'LL EXPLAIN LATER! THE BRAND COULD BE AFTER A VALUABLE CHINESE JADE FIGURE ABOARD THIS BOAT!
AUTHENTIC CHINESE JUNK
SURE ENOUGH, AS THEY BOARD THE UNUSUAL CRAFT...
THE VESSEL'S OWNER--BOUND AND GAGGED! AND THERE'S THE MAN WHO DID IT!
WELL, BATMAN--THAT WAS SMART O' YOU TO FIGGER OUT MY CLUE!
YES--AND NOW I FIGURE YOU'RE GOING TO JAIL!
BUT SUDDENLY, THE BRAND WHIPS OUT A SIX GUN, AND...
LOOK OUT, ROBIN!
THAT BULLET AIN'T FOR YOU HOMBRES... IT'S FOR THE SAIL'S ROPE!
BAM!


WITH THE ROPE SNAPPED, THE WIND WHIPS THE ROPE... FORWARD, AND...
EEYOW!
-HAW! HAW!- THAT FLATTENED YOU BETTER'N MY SIX-SHOOTER COULD!
BY THE TIME BATMAN AND ROBIN CAN CLIMB UP OUT OF THE WATERS...
THE BRAND'S GONE--AND SO'S THE PIECE OF JADE! GOSH, BATMAN--HOW DID THAT BRAND-CLUE TELL YOU HE'D BE HERE?
BECAUSE IT LOOKED LIKE AN EYE... THE EYE PAINTED ON THE PROW OF THIS JUNK!
IT STEMS FROM AN ANCIENT SUPERSTITIOUS BELIEF! CHINESE SEAMEN PAINT "EYES" ON PROWS SO THEIR VESSELS CAN "SEE" WHERE THEY'RE GOING!
BUT WHY?
SO ONE BRAND HAS BEEN DECIPHERED--BUT NEXT DAY, ANOTHER BRAND APPEARS IN THE SKY...
GOLLY!... THE BRAND IS SKYWRITING THE NEXT CLUE!
THE BRAND OF THE DOUBLE-BOX RANCH!
Batman How about this one?
DOUBLE-BOX?... THAT COULD MEAN TWO BOXERS! MAYBE HE'S AFTER THE GATE RECEIPTS OF THE BIG TITLE FIGHT!
COULD BE... BUT WE'D BETTER DOUBLE-CHECK THIS CLUE! YOU WATCH FOR THE BRAND AT THE BOX OFFICE, WHILE I CHECK ANOTHER PLACE I'VE GOT IN MIND!

SOON AFTER, BATMAN WALKS UPON A UNIQUE, DESERTED TV STUDIO SET...
TO ME, THAT CLUE ALSO SUGGESTED CHESSBOARD SQUARES! TONIGHT, THE CHAMPIONSHIP CHESS MATCH IS TO BE TELEVISED--AND IN ORDER THAT THE AUDIENCE SEE EACH MOVE CLEARLY, THE PLAYERS WILL MOVE GIANT ROBOT CHESSMEN, WORKED BY REMOTE CONTROLS!
SUDDENLY, AS A FIGURE EMERGES FROM ANOTHER ROOM...
THE BRAND! JUST AS I FIGURED, HE'S AFTER THE GOLD CHAMPIONSHIP CUP STORED IN THE STUDIO SAFE!
BATMAN! GOTTA ACT FAST...THROW THE SWITCH THAT ACTIVATES THE CHESS PIECES!
BY THE TIME BATMAN CAN REGAIN HIS BALANCE...
I'M COMPLETELY ENCIRCLED... AND THE KNIGHTS ARE ATTACKING!
AND AS ELECTRIC CURRENT COURSES THROUGH THE STEEL WHEELS OF THE ROBOT CHESSMEN...
HAW, HAW! MY CASTLES HAVE YOU BLOCKED, BATMAN!
OOF!
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DODGING ABOUT, HE DRAWS HIS BAT-ROPE, AND...
IF I TRIED TO LASSO THE BRAND, HE'D SEE IT COMING AND DUCK! I'LL HAVE TO LASSO SOMETHING STATIONARY--LIKE THAT TV CAMERA ON WHEELS!
THEN, YANKING HARD ON THE ROPE...
CHECKMATE! I STRUCK THE CONTROL PANEL!
CRASH
CRASH
THEIR CONTROLS GONE, THE GIANT CHESS PIECES SUDDENLY RUN AMOK...
IT'S LIKE A CRAZY NIGHTMARE--BUT AT LEAST I CAN GET OFF THE CHESSBOARD NOW!
BUT AS BATMAN MOVES IN ON THE BRAND...
I'M ONE RUSTLER THAT RIDES A FAST MOUNT. ADIOS, BATMAN!
WHAT...? HE HAD A MOTORCYCLE HIDDEN HERE FOR HIS GETAWAY!
LATER, AFTER SENDING FOR ROBIN...
THE BRAND CERTAINLY TAKES BIG CHANCES FOR SUCH SMALL LOOT! I DON'T UNDERSTAND HIM!
HMM...MUD! IT MUST HAVE DROPPED FROM THE BRAND'S BOOT, WHILE HE SAT IN THE CHAIR!
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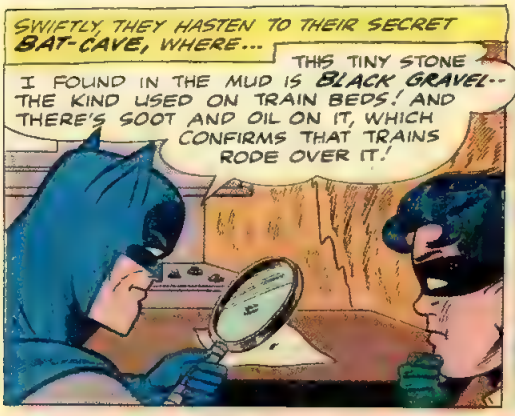
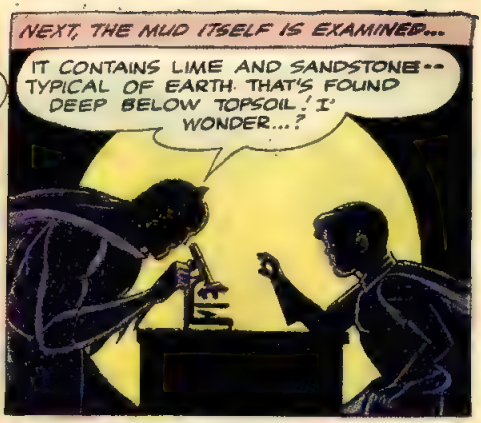
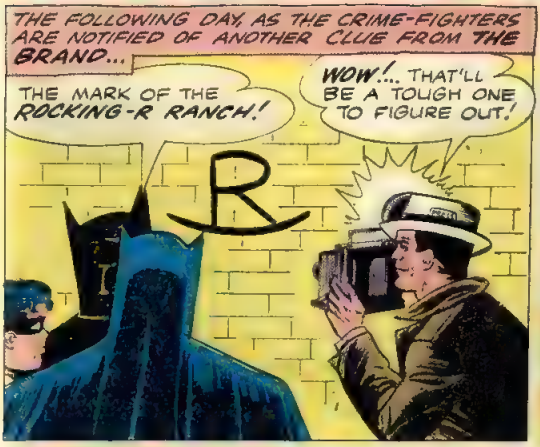

SWIFTLY, THEY HASTEN TO THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE, WHERE...
I FOUND IN THE MUD IS BLACK GRAVEL-- THE KIND USED ON TRAIN BEDS! AND THERE'S SOOT AND OIL ON IT, WHICH CONFIRMS THAT TRAINS RODE OVER IT!
THIS TINY STONE


NEXT, THE MUD ITSELF IS EXAMINED...
IT CONTAINS LIME AND SANDSTONE-- TYPICAL OF EARTH THAT'S FOUND DEEP BELOW TOPSOIL! I WONDER...?


THE FOLLOWING DAY, AS THE CRIME-FIGHTERS ARE NOTIFIED OF ANOTHER CLUE FROM THE BRAND...
THE MARK OF THE ROCKING-R RANCH!
WOW!... THAT'LL BE A TOUGH ONE TO FIGURE OUT!
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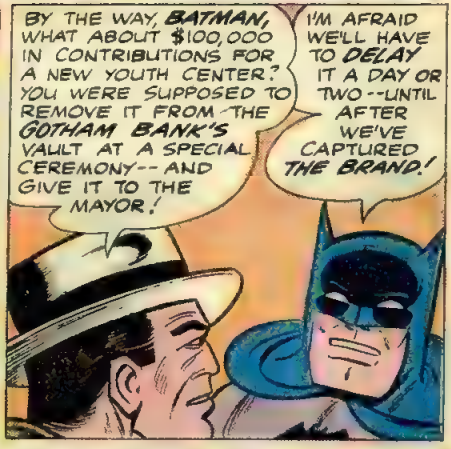
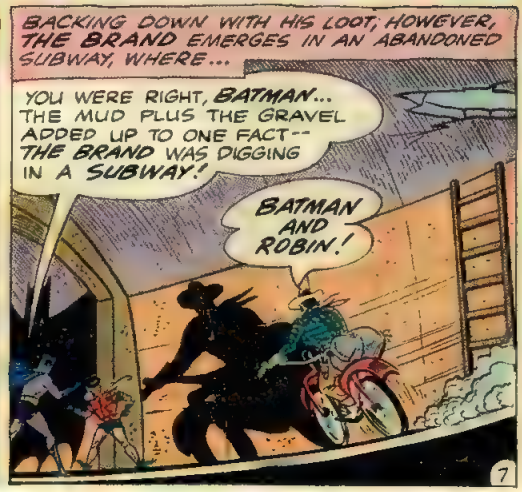
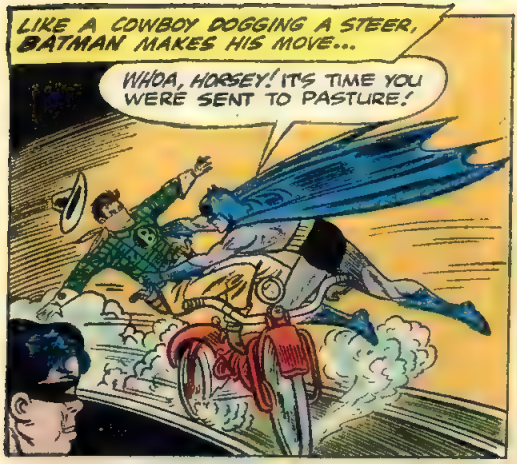
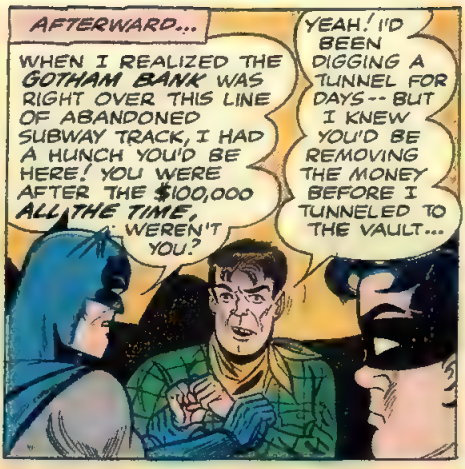

BY THE WAY, BATMAN, WHAT ABOUT $100,000 IN CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A NEW YOUTH CENTER? YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO REMOVE IT FROM THE GOTHAM BANK'S VAULT AT A SPECIAL CEREMONY-- AND GIVE IT TO THE MAYOR!
I'M AFRAID WE'LL HAVE TO DELAY IT A DAY OR TWO--UNTIL AFTER WE'VE CAPTURED THE BRAND!

BUT AWHILE LATER, A LONE FIGURE COMES TUNNELING UP INTO THAT VERY VAULT!
:HAW, HAW! THERE IT IS-- $100,000 IN CASH! MY PHONEY CLUE FOOLED BATMAN COMPLETELY... SENT HIM ON A WILD-GOOSE CHASE!


BACKING DOWN WITH HIS LOOT, HOWEVER, THE BRAND EMERGES IN AN ABANDONED SUBWAY, WHERE...
YOU WERE RIGHT, BATMAN... THE MUD PLUS THE GRAVEL ADDED UP TO ONE FACT-- THE BRAND WAS DIGGING IN A SUBWAY!
BATMAN AND ROBIN!


LIKE A COWBOY DOGGING A STEER, BATMAN MAKES HIS MOVE...
WHOA, HORSEY! IT'S TIME YOU WERE SENT TO PASTURE!


AFTERWARD...
WHEN I REALIZED THE GOTHAM BANK WAS RIGHT OVER THE LINE OF ABANDONED SUBWAY TRACK, I HAD A HUNCH YOU'D BE HERE! YOU WERE AFTER THE $100,000 ALL THE TIME, WEREN'T YOU?
YEAH! I'D BEEN DIGGING A TUNNEL FOR DAYS -- BUT I KNEW YOU'D BE REMOVING THE MONEY BEFORE I TUNNELED TO THE VAULT...

I HAD TO STALL FOR TIME -- SO I GOT THE IDEA OF KEEPING YOU SO BUSY WITH "BRAND" CLUES, YOU'D HAVE TO DELAY THE YOUTH CENTER CEREMONY! THE MONEY WOULD BE LEFT IN THE BANK LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO TUNNEL INTO THE VAULT AND STEAL IT!
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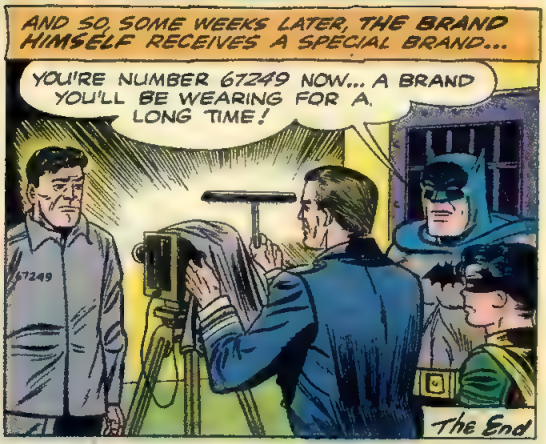
AND SO, SOME WEEKS LATER, THE BRAND HIMSELF RECEIVES A SPECIAL BRAND...
YOU'RE NUMBER 67249 NOW... A BRAND YOU'LL BE WEARING FOR A LONG TIME!
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The End

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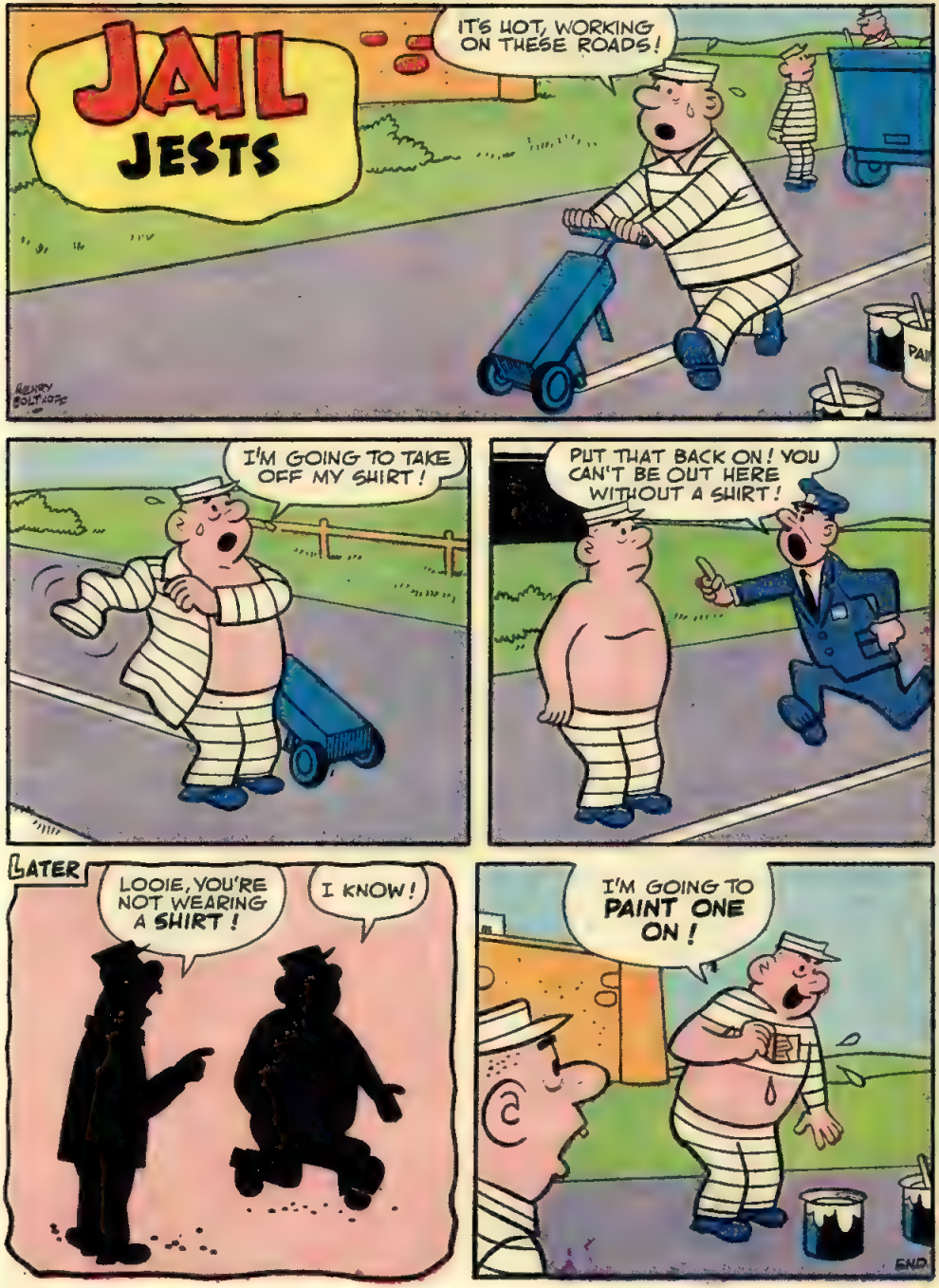
JAIL JESTS
IT'S HOT, WORKING ON THESE ROADS!
HENRY BOLTINOFF
I'M GOING TO TAKE OFF MY SHIRT!
PUT THAT BACK ON! YOU CAN'T BE OUT HERE WITHOUT A SHIRT!
LATER
LOOIE, YOU'RE NOT WEARING A SHIRT!
I KNOW!
I'M GOING TO PAINT ONE ON!
END

Dear Editor: In my opinion, the SUPERMAN ANNUAL was the greatest. What's more, I think a BATMAN ANNUAL, featuring the best stories of BATMAN and ROBIN, would be just as great. How about it?

Morton Ashley, Providence, R. I.

(Requests for a BATMAN ANNUAL have been pouring into our office by the thousands. We've got one in the works—you'll soon be seeing it on your newsstands. Date of publication will be announced shortly.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Do BATMAN and ROBIN know about the existence of SUPERGIRL?

Bill Jenkins, Stratford, N.J.

(Yes—they're the only two people to whom SUPERMAN has entrusted this secret.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Whenever BATMAN needs his BAT-ROPE, he pulls it out of his UTILITY BELT. The same goes for ROBIN. My question is, how can such a long rope fit into a pouch of such a narrow belt?

Andrew Delaplaine, Sumter, S. C.

(The BAT-ROPE, strong as it is, is made of a special material, which can be rolled and compressed into a tiny mass, compact enough to fit into a pouch of the UTILITY BELT. —Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Throughout their careers, I know, BATMAN and ROBIN have fought many strange, unearthly creatures. Which is the most powerful creature they have ever met? Irving Andrews, Chelsea, Mass.

(It's hard to say which creature was the most powerful—but certainly, one of the **strangest** they ever battled will appear in the FEBRUARY issue of DETECTIVE COMICS, No. 288, where BATMAN and ROBIN must overcome "THE MENACE OF THE MULTIPLE CREATURE."—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: I understand that BATMAN, a very long time ago, tracked down a gang's hideout by analyzing a beetle found in a pocket of one captured member of the gang. How is this possible?

Ernestine Olsen, Racine, Wis.

(There is a certain species of beetle that inhabits cellars, and the characteristics of these beetles actually vary from one cellar to the next. By scrutinizing that one beetle under a microscope—determining its unique coloring, special markings, etc.—BATMAN was able to pinpoint the exact cellar that beetle came from. And that cellar, as the caped crimefighter figured, turned out to be the gang's secret lair.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: In your last issue, you answered a question concerning the MAGNETIC BATARANG. There's another of BATMAN'S weapons that has always interested me—the SEEING-EYE BATARANG. How does it work?

Nat Durston, Chicago, Ill.

(The SEEING-EYE BATARANG has a miniature camera attached to it, enabling BATMAN and ROBIN to photograph places which they can't approach too closely. A special timing device trips the camera's shutter as it flies over the object or place to be photographed, and then, of course, the BATARANG returns to the waiting hands of BATMAN and ROBIN.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Have BATMAN, ROBIN and SUPERMAN ever had to tackle a SUPERNATURAL menace?

Ronald Robbins, Detroit, Mich.

(Yes, they have, and in their latest adventure together they have quite a job overcoming "THE CURSE THAT DOOMED SUPERMAN," which you'll be reading about in the FEBRUARY issue of WORLD'S FINEST COMICS, No. 115.—Ed.)

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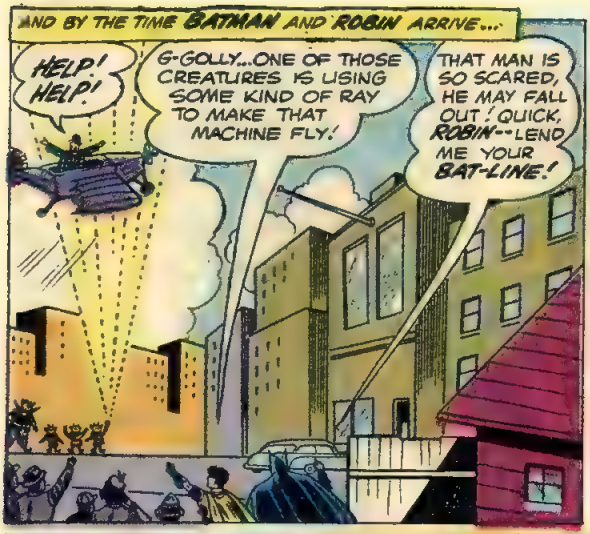
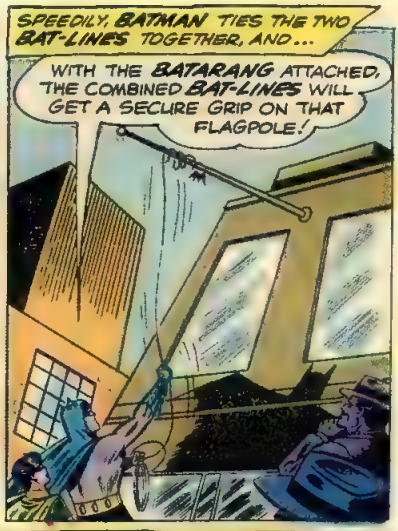
Dear Editor: Is it true that BATMAN got the idea for the WHIRLY-BAT as a result of an accident?

Jack Novack, Silver Springs, Md.

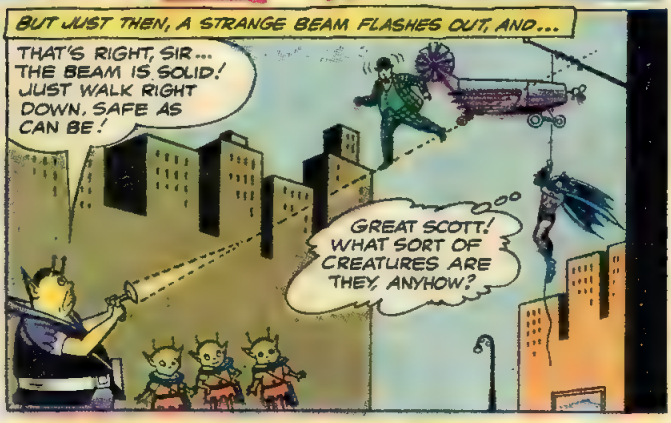
(Yes, it's true. The first time BATMAN got his idea for the WHIRLY-BAT was when he broke both his legs and needed a special means of transportation. The WHIRLY-BAT proved so successful that he decided to keep it as a permanent vehicle.—Ed.)

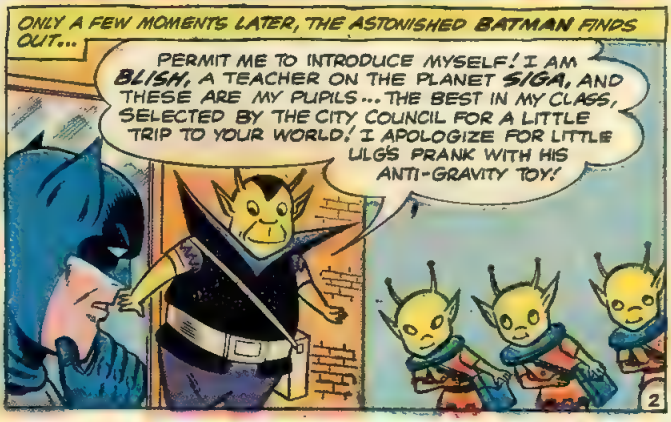
BATMAN
WITH
ROBIN
THE BOY WONDER
IT WAS ONE OF THE STRANGEST MISTAKES EVER MADE IN THE UNIVERSE... AN ERROR THAT TURNED GOTHAM CITY TOPSY-TURVY! AND IT ALL BEGAN WHEN BATMAN AND ROBIN PLAYED HOST TO THE...
TEACHER
from the
STARS
STOP THOSE LITTLE IMPS... BEFORE THEY PANIC THE WHOLE CITY!
ONE DAY, AS A STRANGE CRAFT DESCENDS ON A GOTHAM CITY THOROUGHFARE...
L-LOOK AT THOSE CREATURES! CALL HEADQUARTERS... TELL 'EM TO GET HERE FAST!
AT THAT MOMENT, ACROSS THE STREET, UNAWARE OF VISITORS FROM SPACE, CUSTOMERS FLOCK TO A STRANGE FAIR...
HA, HA! I CAN'T WAIT TO TRY SOME OF THE CRAZY GADGETS IN THIS PLACE!
INVENTIONS THAT NEVER WORKED! SEE 'EM! TRY 'EM!
Admission $1.00

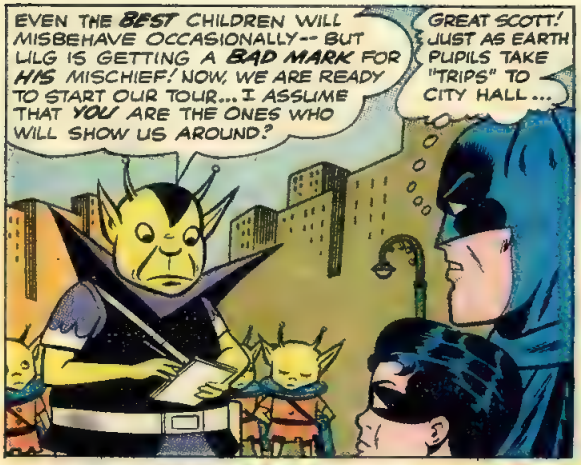

AND BY THE TIME BATMAN AND ROBIN ARRIVE...
HELP! HELP!
G-GOLLY...ONE OF THOSE CREATURES IS USING SOME KIND OF RAY TO MAKE THAT MACHINE FLY!
THAT MAN IS SO SCARED, HE MAY FALL OUT! QUICK, ROBIN--LEND ME YOUR BAT-LINE!

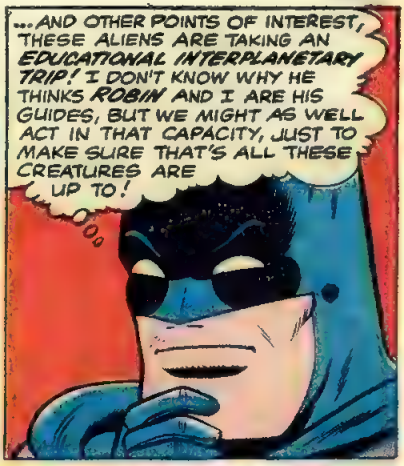

SPEEDILY, BATMAN TIES THE TWO BAT-LINES TOGETHER, AND...
WITH THE BATARANG ATTACHED, THE COMBINED BAT-LINES WILL GET A SECURE GRIP ON THAT FLAGPOLE!

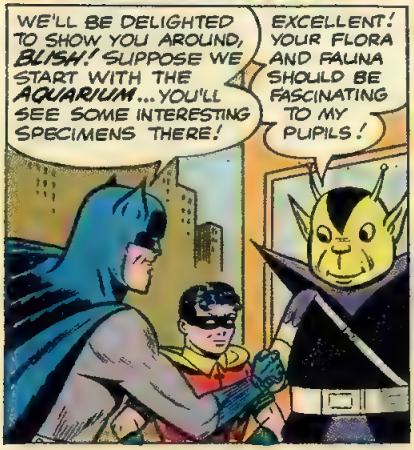
JUST SIT TIGHT, MISTER! I'LL SWING THE BAT-LINE TOWARD YOU SO YOU CAN LEAN RIGHT OUT, GRAB IT AND SLIDE DOWN!

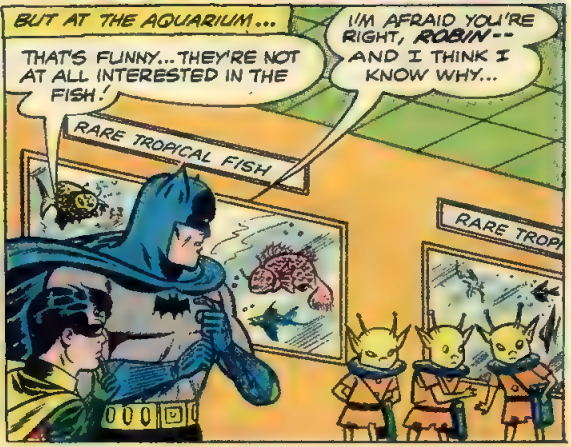

BUT JUST THEN, A STRANGE BEAM FLASHES OUT, AND...
THAT'S RIGHT, SIR... THE BEAM IS SOLID! JUST WALK RIGHT DOWN, SAFE AS CAN BE!
GREAT SCOTT! WHAT SORT OF CREATURES ARE THEY, ANYHOW?

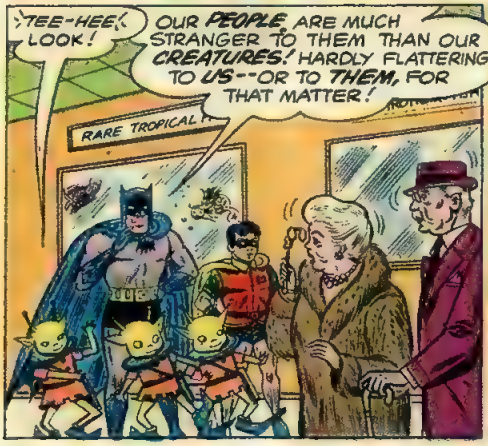

ONLY A FEW MOMENTS LATER, THE ASTONISHED BATMAN FINDS OUT...
PERMIT ME TO INTRODUCE MYSELF! I AM BLISH, A TEACHER ON THE PLANET SIGA, AND THESE ARE MY PUPILS... THE BEST IN MY CLASS, SELECTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR A LITTLE TRIP TO YOUR WORLD! I APOLOGIZE FOR LITTLE ULG'S PRANK WITH HIS ANTI-GRAVITY TOY!

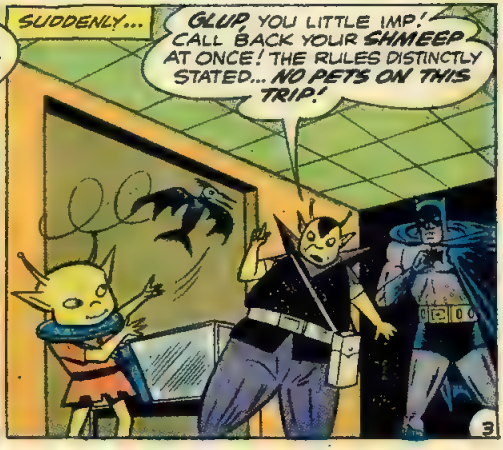

EVEN THE BEST CHILDREN WILL MISBEHAVE OCCASIONALLY-- BUT LILG IS GETTING A BAD MARK FOR HIS MISCHIEF! NOW, WE ARE READY TO START OUR TOUR... I ASSUME THAT YOU ARE THE ONES WHO WILL SHOW US AROUND?
GREAT SCOTT! JUST AS EARTH PUPILS TAKE "TRIPS" TO CITY HALL...


...AND OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST, THESE ALIENS ARE TAKING AN EDUCATIONAL INTERPLANETARY TRIP! I DON'T KNOW WHY HE THINKS ROBIN AND I ARE HIS GUIDES, BUT WE MIGHT AS WELL ACT IN THAT CAPACITY, JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT'S ALL THESE CREATURES ARE UP TO!

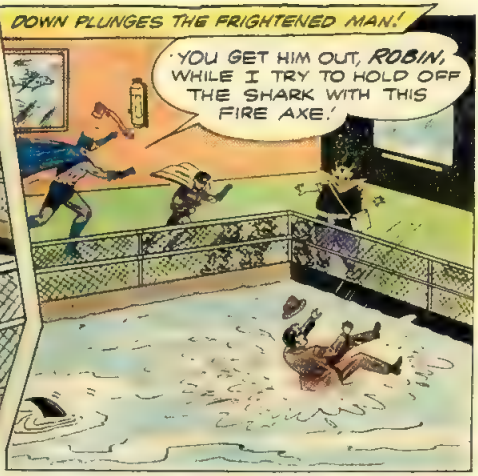

WE'LL BE DELIGHTED TO SHOW YOU AROUND, BLISH! SUPPOSE WE START WITH THE AQUARIUM... YOU'LL SEE SOME INTERESTING SPECIMENS THERE!
EXCELLENT! YOUR FLORA AND FAUNA SHOULD BE FASCINATING TO MY PUPILS!

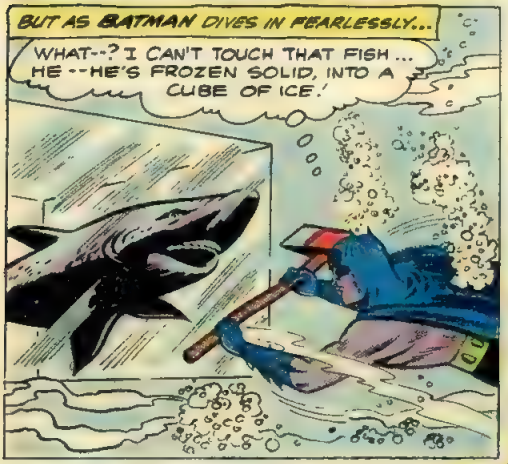

BUT AT THE AQUARIUM...
THAT'S FUNNY... THEY'RE NOT AT ALL INTERESTED IN THE FISH!
I'M AFRAID YOU'RE RIGHT, ROBIN-- AND I THINK I KNOW WHY...
RARE TROPICAL FISH
RARE TROPI

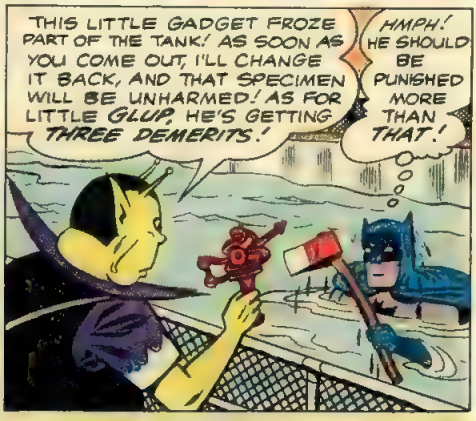

TEE-HEE! LOOK!
OUR PEOPLE ARE MUCH STRANGER TO THEM THAN OUR CREATURES! HARDLY FLATTERING TO US--OR TO THEM, FOR THAT MATTER!
RARE TROPICAL F

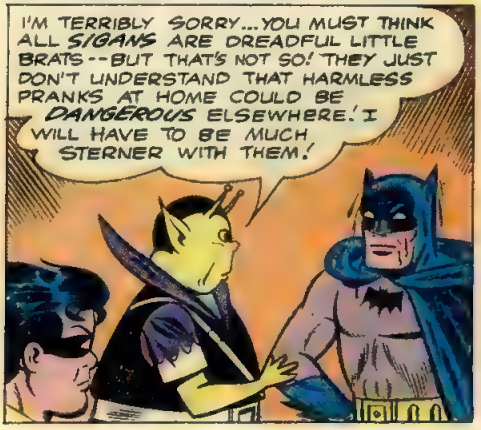

SUDDENLY...
GLUP, YOU LITTLE IMP! CALL BACK YOUR SHMEEP AT ONCE! THE RULES DISTINCTLY STATED... NO PETS ON THIS TRIP!

HELP! THAT THING -- AFTER ME...
DON'T BE AFRAID... IT'S HARMLESS!
KILLER SHARK

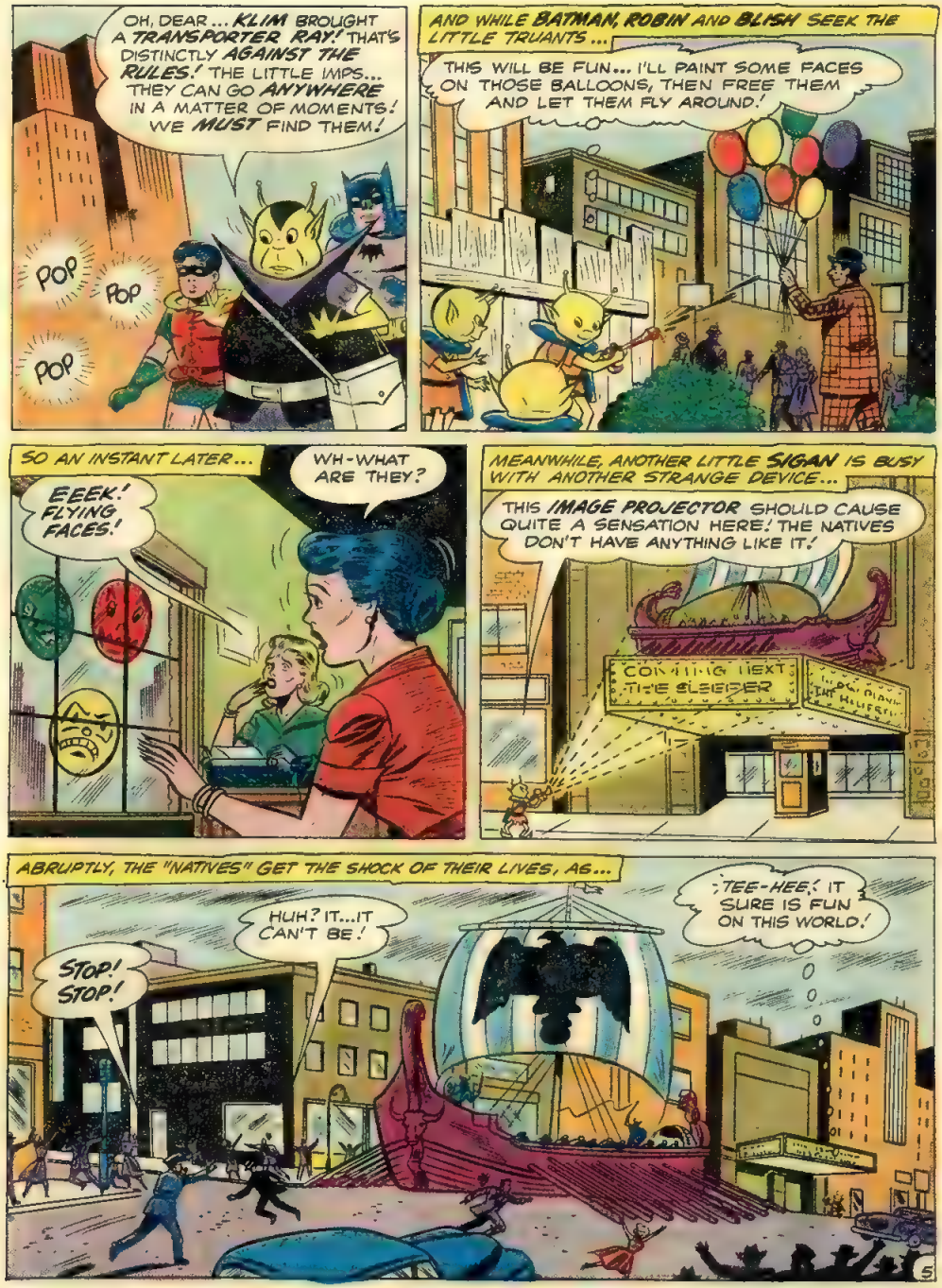

DOWN PLUNGES THE FRIGHTENED MAN!
YOU GET HIM OUT, ROBIN, WHILE I TRY TO HOLD OFF THE SHARK WITH THIS FIRE AXE!


BUT AS BATMAN DIVES IN FEARLESSLY...
WHAT--? I CAN'T TOUCH THAT FISH ... HE--HE'S FROZEN SOLID, INTO A CUBE OF ICE!


THIS LITTLE GADGET FROZE PART OF THE TANK! AS SOON AS YOU COME OUT, I'LL CHANGE IT BACK, AND THAT SPECIMEN WILL BE UNHARMED! AS FOR LITTLE GLUP, HE'S GETTING THREE DEMERITS!
HMPH! HE SHOULD BE PUNISHED MORE THAN THAT!


I'M TERRIBLY SORRY...YOU MUST THINK ALL SIGANS ARE DREADFUL LITTLE BRATS--BUT THAT'S NOT SO! THEY JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT HARMLESS PRANKS AT HOME COULD BE DANGEROUS ELSEWHERE! I WILL HAVE TO BE MUCH STERNER WITH THEM!

AND A LITTLE LATER, AS BATMAN LEADS HIS GUESTS TO THE GOTHAM PLANETARIUM...
THEY'RE REALLY VERY BRIGHT AND-- WH-WHAT'S THAT?
BLISH! THAT GADGET... WHAT'S HE DOING?
POP!


OH, DEAR... KLIM BROUGHT A TRANSPORTER RAY! THAT'S DISTINCTLY AGAINST THE RULES! THE LITTLE IMPS... THEY CAN GO ANYWHERE IN A MATTER OF MOMENTS! WE MUST FIND THEM!
POP
POP
POP
AND WHILE BATMAN, ROBIN AND BLUSH SEEK THE LITTLE TRUANTS...
THIS WILL BE FUN... I'LL PAINT SOME FACES ON THOSE BALLOONS, THEN FREE THEM AND LET THEM FLY AROUND!
SO AN INSTANT LATER...
WH-WHAT ARE THEY?
EEEK! FLYING FACES!
MEANWHILE, ANOTHER LITTLE SIGAN IS BUSY WITH ANOTHER STRANGE DEVICE...
THIS IMAGE PROJECTOR SHOULD CAUSE QUITE A SENSATION HERE! THE NATIVES DON'T HAVE ANYTHING LIKE IT!
COMING NEXT THE SLEEPER
ABRUPTLY, THE "NATIVES" GET THE SHOCK OF THEIR LIVES, AS...
HUH? IT...IT CAN'T BE!
TEE-HEE! IT SURE IS FUN ON THIS WORLD!
STOP! STOP!

YES...EARTH IS AN AMUSING PLACE FOR THE IMPISH LITTLE SIGANS AND THEIR AMAZING GADGETS!
THIS LIGHT-RAY DISTORTER WILL MAKE THE NATIVES SEE EACH OTHER IN A BRAND NEW LIGHT!
AND SURE ENOUGH...
GERTRUDE! Y-YOU'VE CHANGED!
I'VE CHANGED? WH-WHAT ABOUT YOU?
THUS, WHEN THE THREE SEARCHERS REACH THE SCENE...
BATMAN! WHAT HAPPENED TO US?
NOTHING PERMANENT... BUT, JUST WAIT TILL I GET MY HANDS ON THOSE BRATS! COME HELP ME!
THE DYNAMIC DUO IS MORE THAN EAGER TO HELP..
ANY MORE OF THESE PRANKS, BLISH, AND I'LL HAVE TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE!
CAFE
MOMENTS LATER, A BIT OF PRIMITIVE BUT EFFECTIVE INTERPLANETARY DISCIPLINE IS APPLIED.....
OWWW!
WE'LL BE GOOD!
WE PROMISE!
SHORTLY, BACK AT THE PLANETARIUM...
THERE'S EARTH...THIRD FROM THE SUN! WHERE'S YOUR HOME PLANET?
MARS
EARTH
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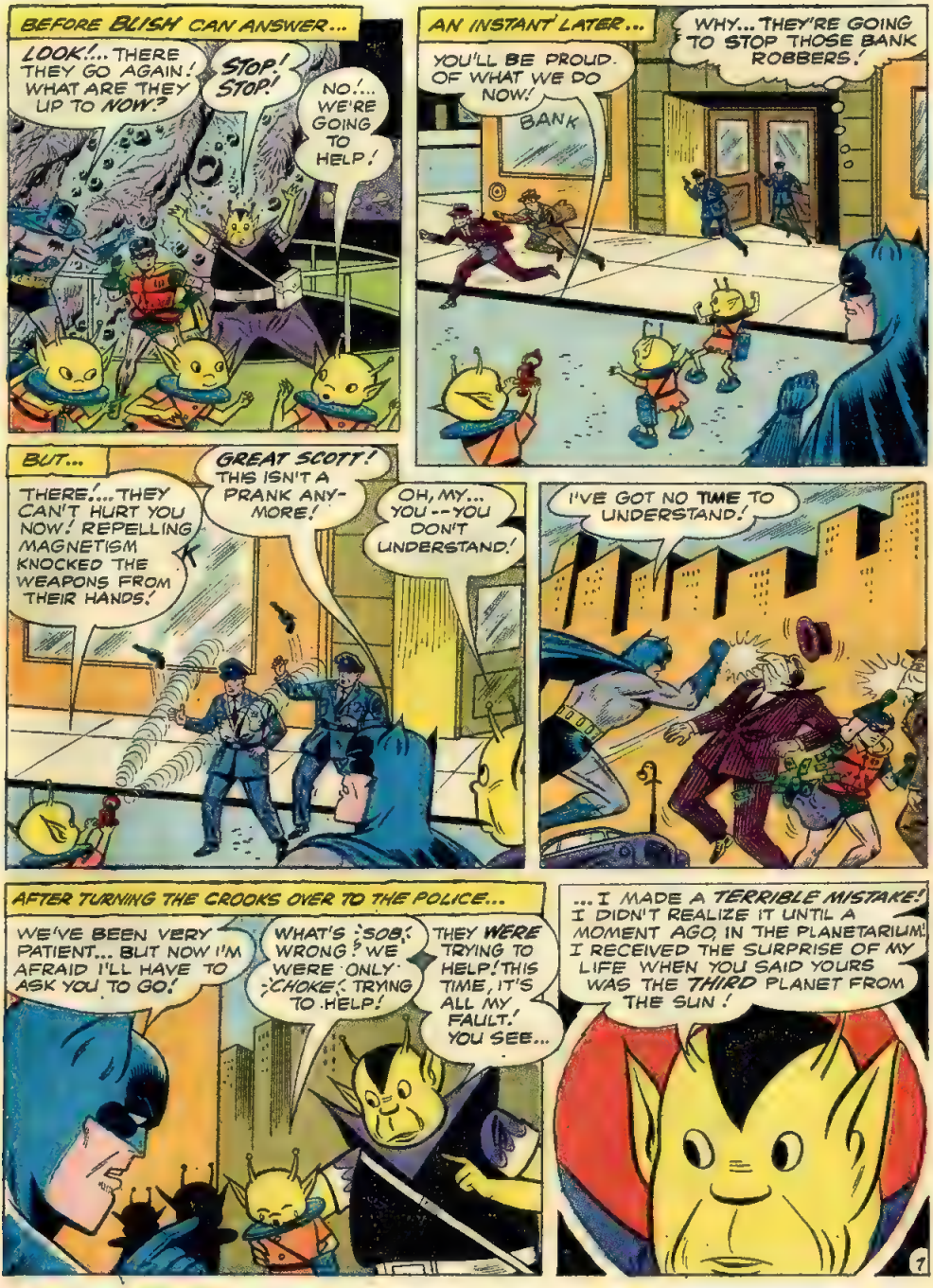
BEFORE BLISH CAN ANSWER...
LOOK!... THERE THEY GO AGAIN! WHAT ARE THEY UP TO NOW?
STOP! STOP!
NO!... WE'RE GOING TO HELP!
AN INSTANT LATER...
YOU'LL BE PROUD OF WHAT WE DO NOW!
BANK
WHY... THEY'RE GOING TO STOP THOSE BANK ROBBERS!
BUT...
THERE!... THEY CAN'T HURT YOU NOW! REPELLING MAGNETISM KNOCKED THE WEAPONS FROM THEIR HANDS!
GREAT SCOTT! THIS ISN'T A PRANK ANY-MORE!
OH, MY... YOU--YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!
I'VE GOT NO TIME TO UNDERSTAND!
AFTER TURNING THE CROOKS OVER TO THE POLICE...
WE'VE BEEN VERY PATIENT... BUT NOW I'M AFRAID I'LL HAVE TO ASK YOU TO GO!
WHAT'S :SOB: WRONG? WE WERE ONLY :CHOKE: TRYING TO HELP!
THEY WERE TRYING TO HELP! THIS TIME, IT'S ALL MY FAULT! YOU SEE...
... I MADE A TERRIBLE MISTAKE! I DIDN'T REALIZE IT UNTIL A MOMENT AGO, IN THE PLANETARIUM! I RECEIVED THE SURPRISE OF MY LIFE WHEN YOU SAID YOURS WAS THE THIRD PLANET FROM THE SUN!

I WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE LANDED ON THE FOURTH PLANET FROM THE THIRD SUN AWAY FROM SIGA! INSTEAD I CAME HERE...THE THIRD PLANET FROM THE FOURTH SUN! NO WONDER EVERYTHING WENT WRONG!
"OUR AUTHORITIES HAVE AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THAT OTHER PLANET, NAMED ORLA..."
THE ORLANS HAVE ENTERTAINED MANY OF OUR LITTLE DELEGATIONS! THEY'LL ASSIGN AN OFFICIAL TO SHOW YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS AROUND! JUST REMEMBER...ALL THEIR OFFICIALS, INCLUDING LAW OFFICERS, WEAR MASKS!
NO WONDER THE BOYS HELPED THE CROOKS! THEY THOUGHT THEY WERE THE AUTHORITIES!
AND THAT'S WHY YOU WERE SURE WE HAD BEEN DESIGNATED AS YOUR GUIDE!
EXACTLY! PLEASE FORGIVE THE MISUNDERSTANDING... ALL MY FAULT! HERE IS A LITTLE MEMENTO, HOWEVER, OF OUR THANKS!
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SO THAT NIGHT, AFTER THE SIGANS LEAVE, BATMAN AND ROBIN EXAMINE A NEW TROPHY IN THE BAT-CAVE...
A PICTURE OF BLISH, THE LITTLE SIGANS AND THEIR ENTIRE CLASS! IT CERTAINLY IS A MEMENTO --OF A STRANGE, EXCITING DAY!
STILL, IT'S AMUSING! IMAGINE...AN ABSENT-MINDED PROFESSOR FROM THE STARS!
WITH THANKS TO BATMAN AND ROBIN, OUR FRIENDS
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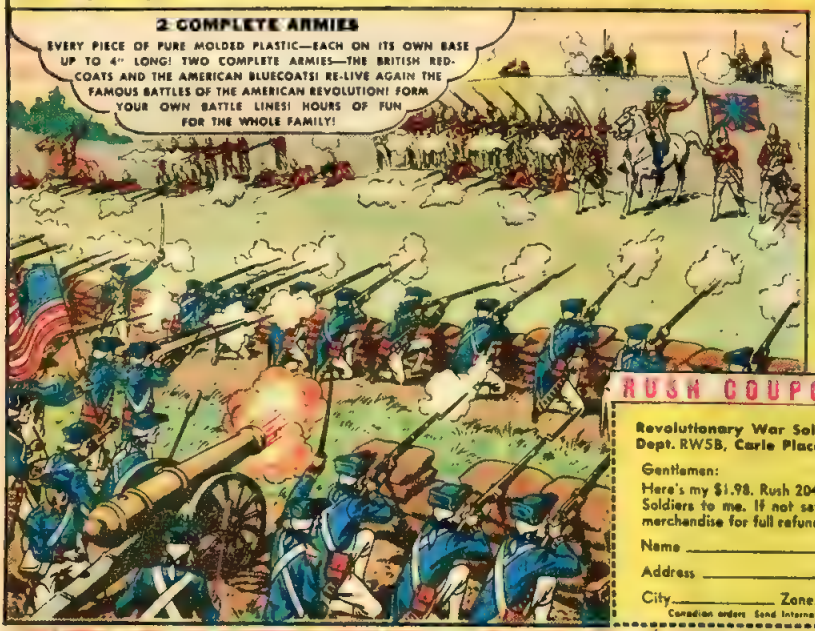

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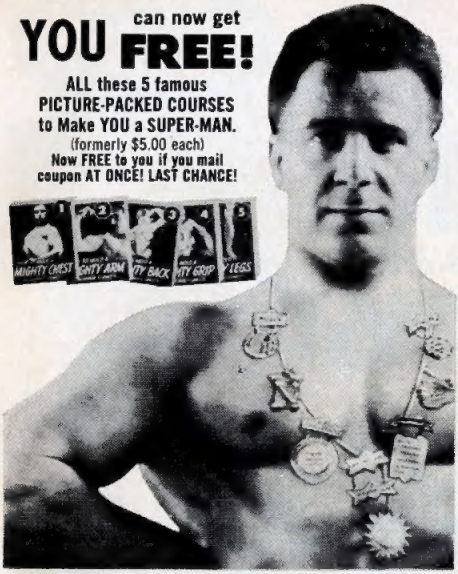

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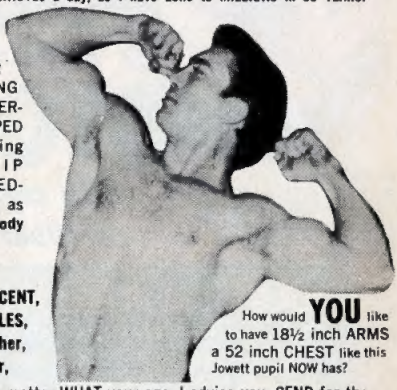

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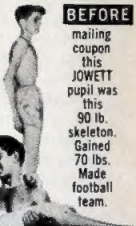

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